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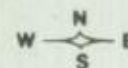
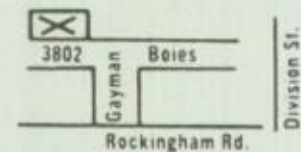
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A New Beginning

As we West High students climb the ladder, we all discover in our own time that we are gaining more and more responsibilities. We are slowly being prepared to one day soon be set out ON OUR OWN.

Two main ideas rampaged through the minds of West students, finally getting through high school and going on to bigger and better things. Impatience seemed to loom in the halls and spread everywhere.

Although we lost Dr. Paul John-

son, who became principal of the new North High School, and Dr. David Bess to a Valpraiso, Indiana school, we gained Mr. William Rettko as our new principal. Mr. Rettko showed us just as much spirit but with a little different flair than Johnson.

Along with the new high school came the new North rivalry. Many students had to change their frame of mind when meeting their old friends from last year and consider them rivals. (by J. Wheadon)



1. To add spice, new paintings were added all over the building. (photo by K. Rodriguez)

2. Enjoying a game are Eric Willroth, '88, and Todd Figanbaum, '88. (photo by J. Wheadon)

3. Jim Richardson, '88, and Brenda Boots, '88, take time-out from classes. (photo by K. Rodriguez)

4. The lawn seems relaxing for Brandi Radetski, '86, and Betty Marxen, '86. (photo by K. Rodriguez)

5. Coordination and timing are an important part of being in flag corps. (photo by K. Rodriguez)



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1. Getting crazy at football games is the whole point of going for most. (photo by J. Morrissey)
2. Debbie Rejman, '86, Gretchen Gilbert, '86, and Michelle Deem, '86 relax. (photo by K. Rodriguez)
3. Sporting a classic shirt is Melody Campbell, '88. (photo by K. Redeker)

1. Becoming messy was the whole point of GAA Sophomore Initiation. (photo by A. Haywood)
2. Concentrating on her moves, Lauri Sturms, '87, practices a cheer. (photo by M. Smothers)



3. Caught, Gina Krambeck, '86 enjoys the French Club Picnic. (photo by K. Rodriguez)

4. Getting in a good practice are Tim Reeves, '87, and Doug Bargefield, '86. (photo by M. Smothers)

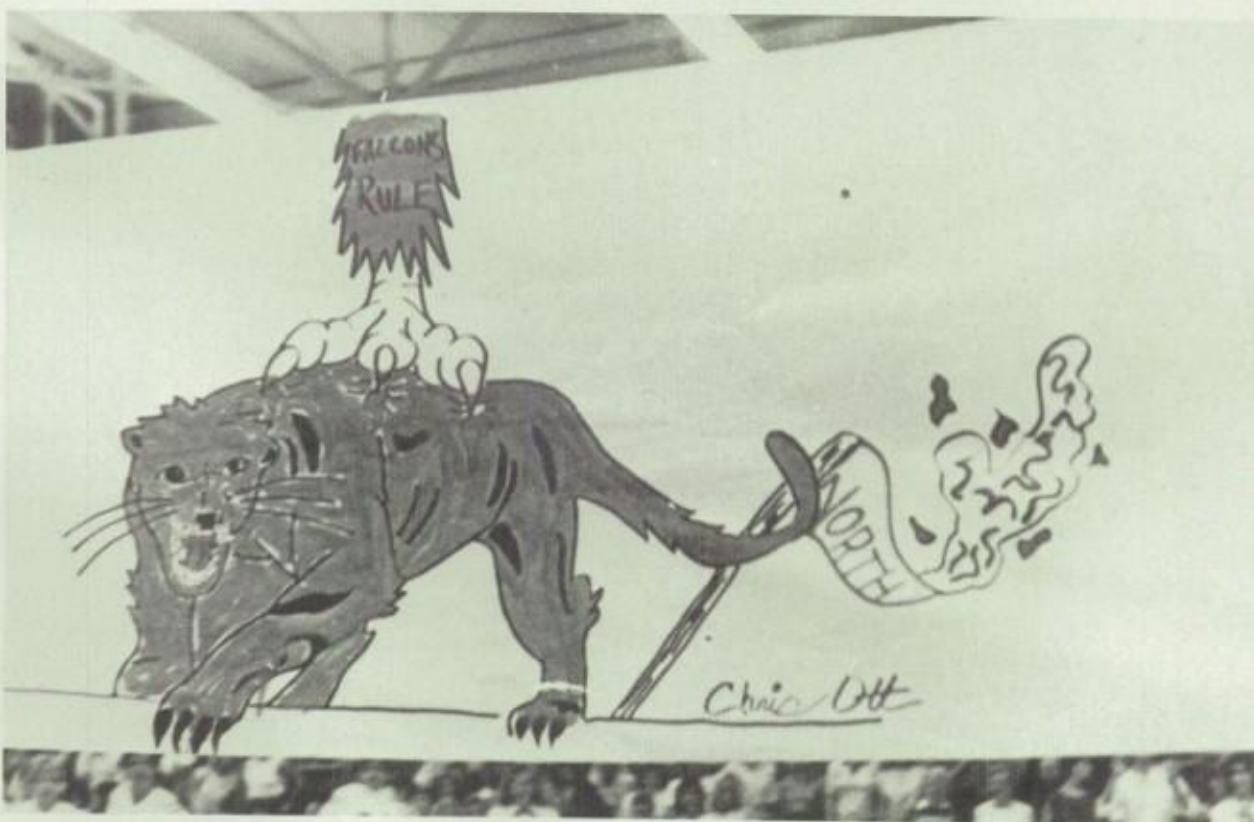
5. Amy Navarre, '86, and Kathy Bohling, '86 find time to relax and joke around. (photo by D. Navarre)



Committing it to Memory

As summer came to a close and school drew near, the summer became just another memory. For some students though, it was one to remember above the rest. To seniors, it meant the last one during their high school years. For sports people, the Varsity Baseball team stepped up to claim the name Conference Champs, while Varsity Softball struck up the titles of Sectional Champs and Conference Champs. The summer was one event after the other melding into the past, but it was not to be forgotten by most. The parties of the new seniors were heard from one end of town to the other, and school rivalry stopped for the summer to make way for the idea of graduation soon becoming a reality. The students' hopes of starting school after Labor Day were dashed until next year, and school started at the same time.

³ (written by J. Wheadon)



² Bridget Speer, '87 sees that getting the assignment done takes work. (photo by J. Morrissey)

With a smile on her face, Kim Lybarger, '87, practices for an event. (photo by K. Rodriguez)

³ Gathering on the front lawn is a familiar sight during good weather. (photo by J. Wheadon)

⁴ This banner was cheered on at the North/West football game aud. (photo by B. Jensen)

STUDENT LIFE

Summer Fun

When August twenty-sixth rolled around on the calendars of West High students, many of them realized the summer was over. The days of loafing around were gone and school was beginning.

Many pastimes over the summer included concerts, jobs, mall-hopping, parties, and sleeping... lots of sleeping.

The concert of the summer was "Live Aid", when the rock stars of today raised money to help feed the starving people in Ethiopia.

McDonalds, Hardee's and mall shops were popular places to find West High students at work. When the students weren't working or sleeping, they were out catching some rays at West Lake or Wacky Waters.

For most students, summertime is a good time to waste time. "It's a good time to catch up on my soaps," says **Heidi Peterson**, '87. According to **Tracy Saibin**, '88, "It's a good time to read my romance novels."

Like most people, **Raquel Singer**, '88, spent her summer "partying," but school brought this to an end.

Students in various clubs found themselves traveling around a lot during the summer. Workshops and trips were also interesting ways to spend parts of the summer. No matter how slow time seemed to go in the summer, August came too soon.

(written by A. Behning)



Julie Lambert, '86, visits with a friend during a concert at the fair. (staff photo)



West Lake activities include a smashing volleyball game on the scorching sand. (photo by J. Gomez)



1. West Lake a popular spot for baking in the sun, as these students take advantage of a bright day. (photo by J. Gomez)

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2. Best view of the fair is always from the top. (staff photo)

3. Students express their summertime talents in various antics. (staff photo)

GLORY DAYS

The gym was crowded and noisy as **Jeno Berta** handed Julie Hawley, last year's Homecoming Queen, the envelope containing the name of the 1985 Homecoming Queen. The crowd was silent with anticipation as she opened the envelope and announced the name.

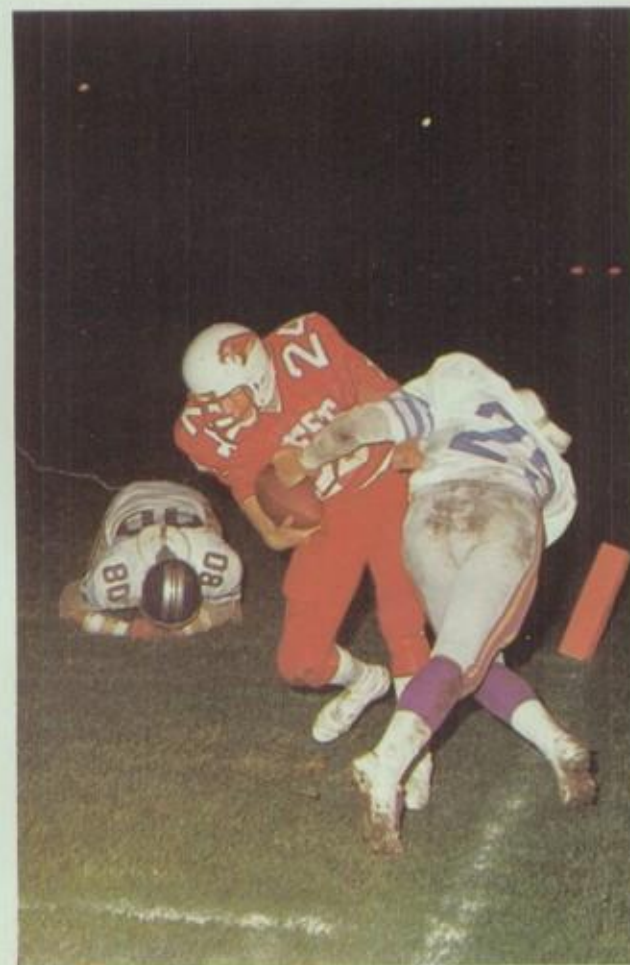
The candidates were: **Jenell Arnold, Dawn Blaser, Bridget Foley, Brenda Jordahl, Julie Lambert, Dawn Lange, Connie Lawson, Stina Sundstedt, Kim Wallick, and Sherry McKown.**

As the candidates were presented to the audience one more time, members of Student Senate gave the candidates' parents long-stemmed roses. Then the queen was announced: **Sherry McKown!** The granddaughter and grandson of Mrs. Carla Morgan carried the crown and scepter to the 1985 Homecoming Queen.

The ceremony was brought to a close after Junior Class President **Scott Ryan** gave out medallions to the candidates, who were then escorted from the gym. A reception was held in the Activities Room for the candidates and their parents following the coronation. (written by A. Benhing)

1. The Queen reigns over her court at the Homecoming football game. (staff photo)

2. Mrs. Carla Morgan greets her grandchildren after the coronation aud. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



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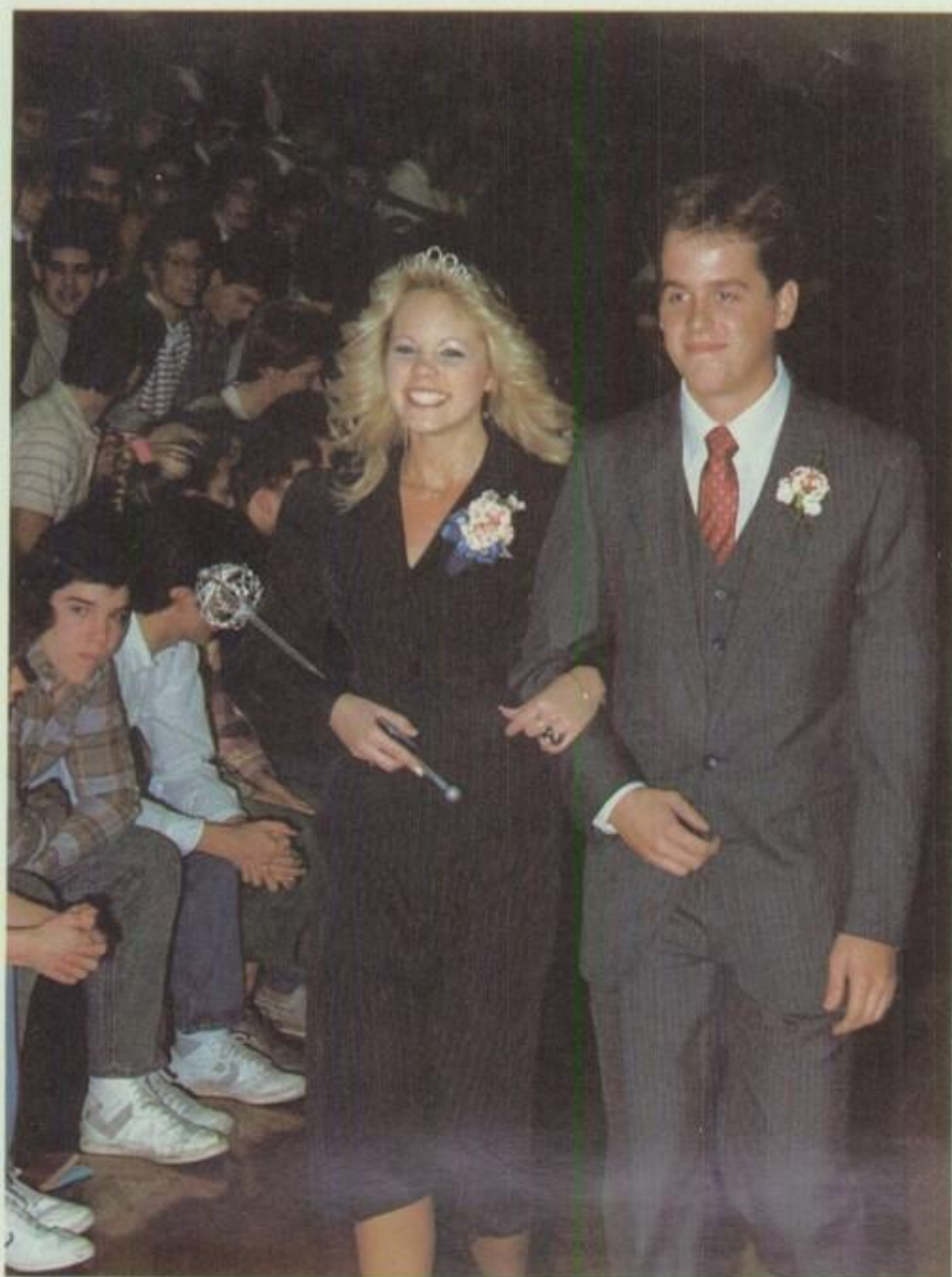


4. Connie Lawson is escorted by David Downing at the presentation aud. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)

3. Number 24, Cory Hund, '87, fights his way past the Burlington line. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)

5. The revival of the bonfire brings new spirit and adds excitement. (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)

Sherry McKown is escorted by Greg Rios after her being crowned. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Brenda Jordhal sits atop a corvette during the car rally preceeding the football game. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Mike Postel, '87, and Rod Mohler, '87, laugh as they are wrapped up in spirit, not to mention lots of tape. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



The '85 Homecoming Court: First Row; (L to R), Julie Lambert, Sherry McKown, and Pam Montgomery. Back row; (L to R), Stina Sunstedt, Julie Loken, Brenda Jordhal, Connie Lawson, Dawn Blaser, Bridget Foley, Jenell Arnold, Dawn Lange, and Kim Wallick. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)

Glory Days

Brad Moeller, '85, and Shawn Ray, '85 of the band "Satyre" rock and roll during "Glory Days." (photo by K. Redeker)

Competition was intense during the field events as each contestant strove to win the tricycle race, jello slurp, or tug-o-war. It was Scott Ryan in the tricycle race, as he pedaled past Adam Herrig and Paul Doerrfeld. Sherry McKown and Jeff Ryan slurped their way to victory in the jello slurp. In a show of brawn, Phil Gillespie, Bobby Linz, Jesus Herrera, Rod Adams, Max Ray, and Jeff Peska won the boys' tug-o-war. Lynn Wendell, Karmen Kelly, Deni Donelson, Kristal Koberg, Julie Lambert, and Molly Blank were the strength behind the winning girls' tug-o-war team. The competition went from tough to intense as girls "suited up" for powder-puff football. The team coached by Troy Muilenberg, Shawn Serrano, and Dave Downing took the championship.

Homecoming was more festive this year with the return of the bonfire. "B"urlington burned in the Falcon's flame as the student body cheered on.

Judging of the floats proceeded the Thursday night game. The Queen's procession headed the rally, followed by floats from the Spanish Club, Cheerleaders, and Pom-pon Girls. The symbolic burning of the night before must have been an omen, with West defeating the Greyhounds 21 to 8.

Saturday brought butterflies of excitement with the decorating of the cafeteria. For eight dollars, couples swayed to the beat of Satyre from seven-thirty until ten-thirty.

Homecoming week was at an end, the "Glory Days" of laughter and tears symbolized the West High students on their own. (written by A. Behning and B. Speer)

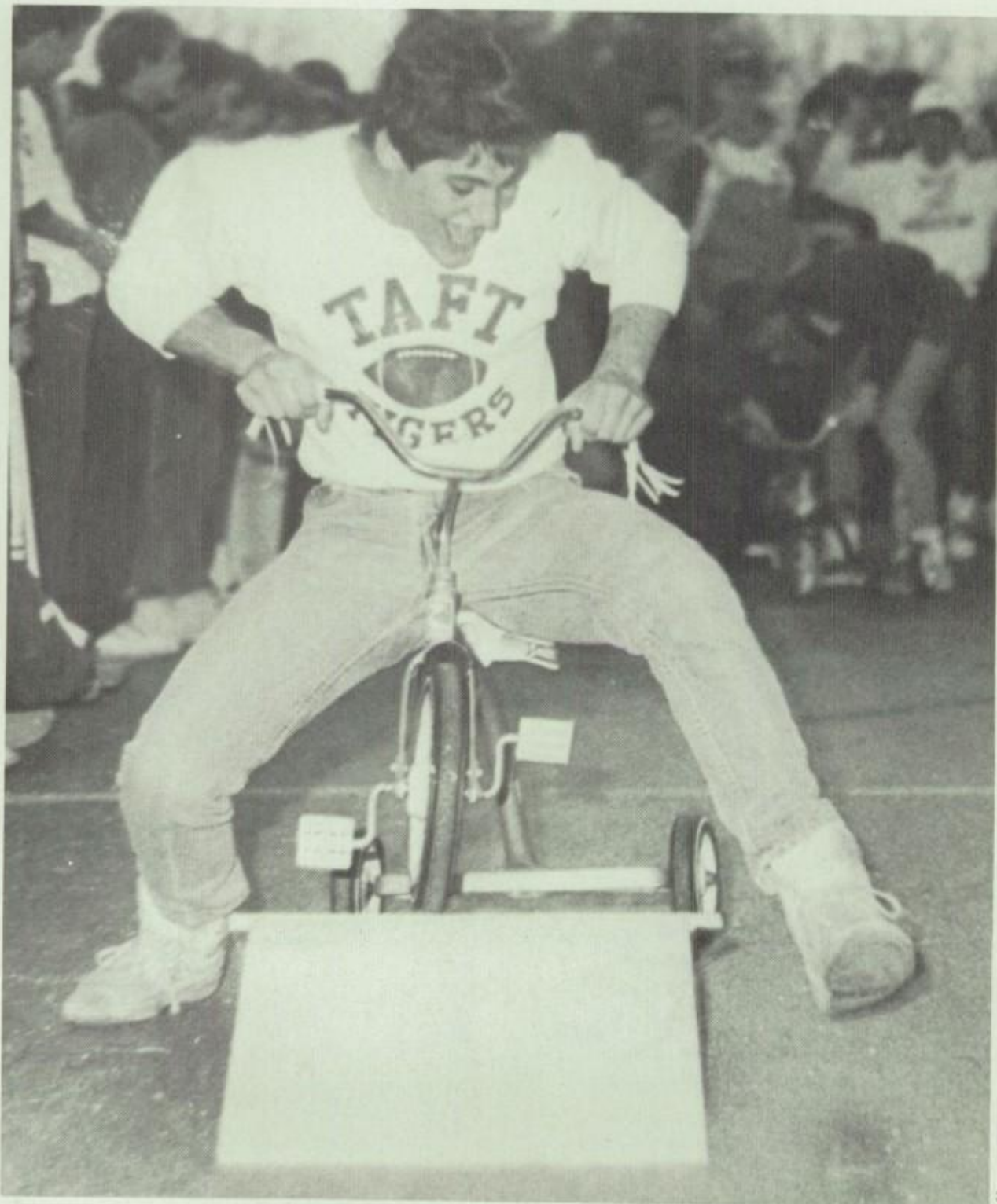


Lynn Wendell, '87, waits in anticipation for the jello-slurp to begin. (photo by J. Morrissey)



Pam Thiessen, '86, and Brian Jennings, '86, sway to the beat during "Glory Days" dance. (photo by K. Redeker)

Mike Wiesrock, '86, maneuvers his tricycle over a ramp during the field events. (Staff Photo)



rayhounds in the mighty Falcon grip. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



The Spanish Club's winning float: FRONT ROW: Chad Asay, Chris Fennelley, Tammy Roseman, Mr. Armstrong, Michelle Deem, Tracy Dietz, Shawn Potsander, and Pat Allen. BACK ROW: Kevin Rossmiller, Sue Nielsen, Beth Denger, Shannon Colgon, and David Roy. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)

Fashion Fun

Fashion: a personal statement with something to say about the wearer. Whether it is bizzare or conventional, everyone has a look he developed on his own.

Bangles, beads, belts, plaid, paisley, pastel, neon, Hawaiian print, or basic blue jeans- it was all in.

No one was limited to a paticular "look." Skirts that were short, long, in between, straight, or full - they all looked great! Pants were cropped, pants were long, pants were baggy, pants were stirruped, pants were tight, and pants were tie-dyed.

To top it all off were tee-shirts, concert shirts, over-sized blouses, constructed or unconstructed jackets, sweatshirts, sweaters, and oxfords.

Accessories were large, small, and everything in between. Earrings ranged from being big and bright to multiple pierced on both boys and girls. Bracelets were neon, jelly, black, gold and found on wrist and ankle.

Regardless of a more restricted dress code, students of West were sexy-sophisticated, cute-cuddley, and wild-wonderful any way they dressed. (by B. Speer)

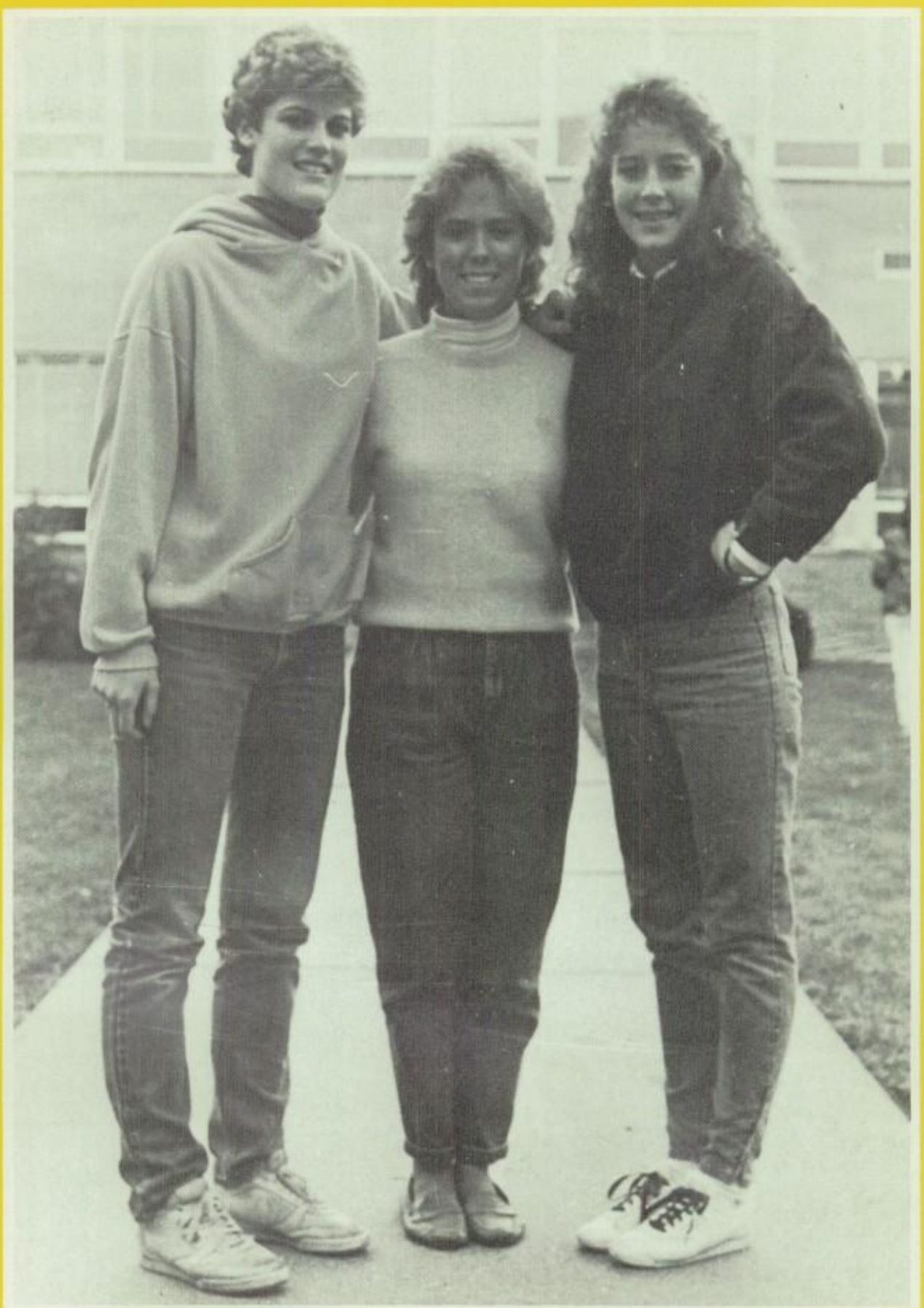
Cindy Vernon, '87, wears the latest fad in eyewear while Stephanie Meador, '87, wears the shirt. (staff photo)



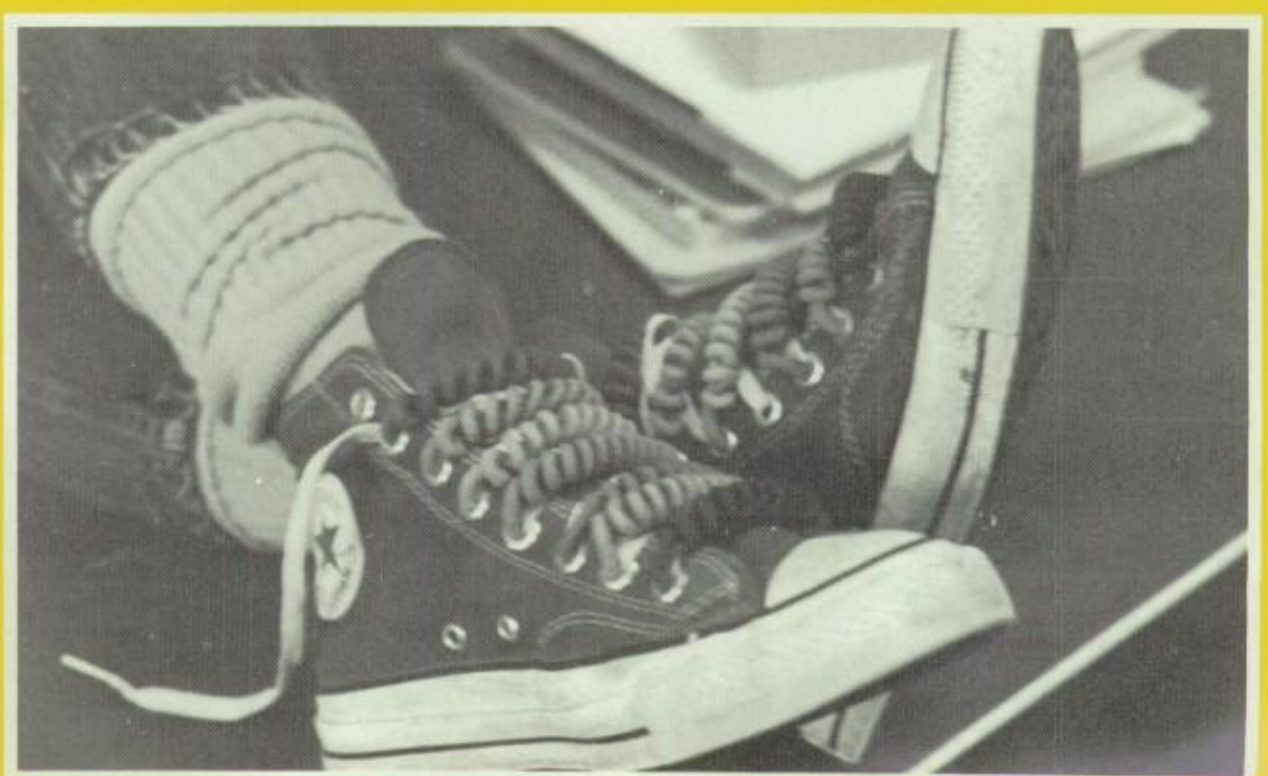
Mary Woods, '88, and Shelly Kimmins, '88, taking a sneak preview of the Beak n' Eye. (staff photo)

Carla Schmieder, '86, is into spirit as well as fashion in this Red and White Day outfit. (photo by J. Wheadon)

1. Kim Cartwright, '87, and David Dierickx, '86, wear the look while conversing at a locker. (photo by K. Rodriguez)
2. Stacey McKee, '87, Sarah Magers, '87, and Lori Sturms, '87, model comfortable classroom attire. (photo by K. Rodriguez)



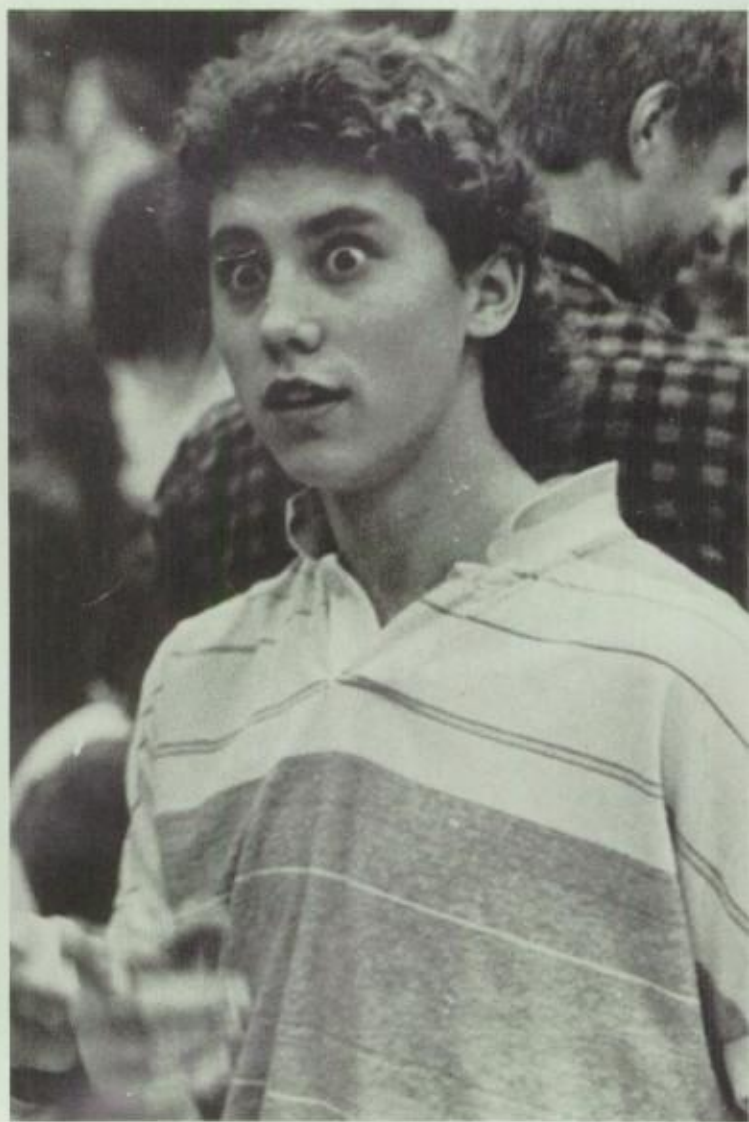
3. George Couldron and Laura Quarron, '88, share a laugh and a giggle at a football game. (photo by J. Morrissey)
4. All this cord and no one to talk to. (staff photo)



Jeno Berta '86, pretends to be a sophomore during the first aud, as his "mommy," Bridget Foley '86 and Jennell Arnold '86 look on. (photo by J. Morrissey)



Robert Harris of the Booster Club auctions off pet Jeff Ryan '88, during Charity Week Aud. (photo by J. Morrissey)



Steve Fowler '86, gazes wide-eyed at the the wild behavior the aud generates.

Seniors welcome sophomores to West during the first aud, by displaying various banners of affection. (photo by J. Morrissey)



Pep Auds Channel Spirit

Pep auds, for some, were just a way to skip a class, or shorten classes, especially if homework wasn't finished. For most, the pep auds were a place to be rowdy and make a lot of noise!

The gym, filled with nearly every West student, rocked with laughter at the sophomoric antics of seniors Bridget Foley and Jeno Berta. During the first aud, students were welcomed back and the sophomores made to feel at home, as seniors performed a skit, portraying a sophomore and his mommy.

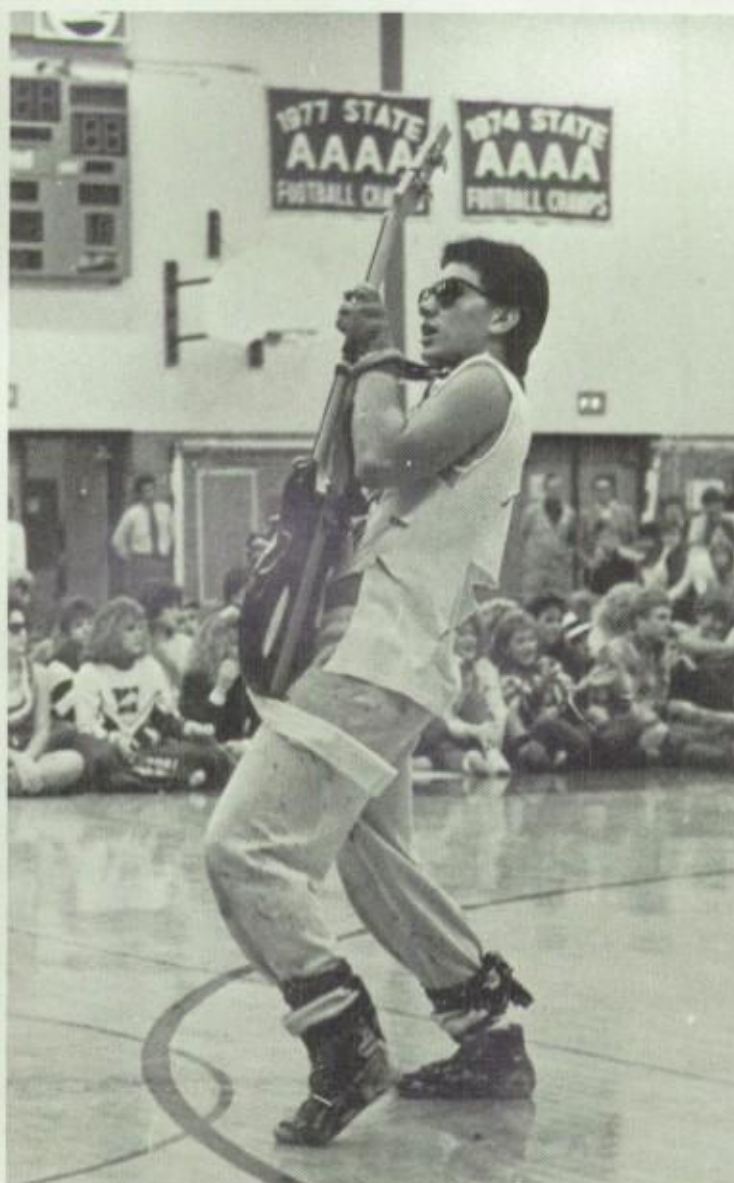
Many successful auds occurred during the year, as a result of Student Senate's effort. To channel all the spirit, a time schedule was created for each aud. It consisted of precise lengths of time for each activity.

Though many thought the opening of North High School would affect the spirit of West, the response of the student body proved them wrong. Mr. Rettko, the new principal with a booming voice, didn't need the aid of a microphone or megaphone to project his spirit.

Amid all the commotion of the auds, memories were made from the fun they generated. (written by B. Speer)



Mr. Rettko rallies the students' spirit at an aud. (photo by J. Morrissey)



Freddie Fillers '88, plays guitar during the air band finals at the Chairity Week Aud. (photo by K. Redeker)

Time out from playing allows band members to watch the aud's activities. (photo by J. Morrissey)

The Crowd

People seem to have an obsession for categories. They categorize other animals and each other. Animals are categorized by their physical traits and behavior. Humans categorize each other by physical and behavioral traits, and by association they may have with others.

This fetish seems to manifest itself during childhood, when a youngster is placed in a school. It is here that cliques are formed, and carried out throughout the rest of the years in school. Though people or their "classes" may change, the original status of the group remains. Their goals and values are set by those who surround them.

High school society consists of many intertwining groups. The "boundaries" of these groups are fog-ridden and ever-shifting; never clearly defined, but there nevertheless. The jocks, popular, brains, loners, known, unknown... infinite are the divisions and the individual himself, who may fit in none, a few, several, or somewhere in between.

The characteristics of these groups are the same. They listen to music, complain about parents, have many of the same feelings and problems, and talk of the same things in varying degrees. What distinguishes between these groups is the stress on differences, not the similarities, until it is believed that the others are really different. (written by B. Speer)

(1)The CROWDED halls. (photo by B. James)



(2)The CROWD in action. (photo by J. Morrissey)





A CROWD gathers at the pep aud. (staff photo)

Sherry McKown, '86, glances at the results of her hard work in preparation for the dance. (photo by B. Speer)



Julie Loken, '86, and Lori Calhoun, '87, decorate by displaying the theme and candidates' pictures on the bulletin board. (photo by B. Speer)



Pleasantly surprised, Dave Downing, '86, is crowned by GAA President Bridget Foley, '86. (photo by K. Redeker)



King Candidates: (L to R) Mike Wardlow, Shawn Serrano, Troy Mullenberg, Matt Truitt, Brad Cunningham, Travis Hazelett, Paul Doerrfeld, Mike Weisrock, Dave Downing, Jeff Masterson, Gary Buckles, and Grant Lemen. (photo by S. Lyle)

Gala King Candidate Jeff Masterson, '86, is escorted by GAA member Kim Wallick, '86, during the coronation at the dance. (photo by K. Redeker)



Boys' Night Out: Girls' Treat

Gala, the first dance of 1986, was held at the end of students' Christmas vacation and was appropriately themed "Party All the Time". The GAA sponsored event proved to be a success. Members arrived early Saturday armed with pink, green, blue, and yellow streamers to decorate for the annual event and make memorable and lasting impressions.

The Gala King, chosen by the female members of the student body, was revealed at the coronation ceremony during the dance. Dave Downing was crowned as the 1985-86 King. Couples danced to the music of "Cold Shot" until 10:30.

After the dance many couples had reservations at posh restaurants, others kicked-back at post-Gala parties, but most enjoyed the night's activities. (written by B. Speer)



Helping to set the mood for Gala, Carol Morritz, '87, gives a streamer just the right twist. (photo by K. Redeker)



Three-year-old Adam Blank, brother of Molly Blank, '86, carries the crown during the coronation. (photo by K. Redeker)

Any Number Can Die

This year's spring play was a humorous murder mystery that took place in the 20's. The comedy drama was presented on Friday and Saturday nights, March 8 and 9.

The elaborate set, mixed with the lights and sounds gave a fantastic effect that added so much to the production of the play.

The members of the family of the deceased Cederic Russell met at his decrepit mansion, Ravenshead, for the reading of the will. There was the snotty niece whose husband had gambled all their money away, the sweet innocent niece who always sent him a birthday card with forget me nots, the eerie house servants, the dignified lawyer, the nosy newspaper writer looking for a story, and the retired file clerk-turned-detective on his first case. There also was the boyfriend of the sweet niece and the aunt (who was really a detective) of the sweet niece. In fact, many of the characters were not who we thought they were!

Murders were committed left and right while the oneliners were cute and catchy. As the play came to a close, the murderer was found, and the riddle that led to the lost fortune solved. This was a fine spoof on famous murder mysteries of the 1920's.

For just \$2.00 a ticket, the drama department kept the audience entertained for quite a while. It was a play enjoyed by all, and the butler didn't do it! (written by A. Behning)



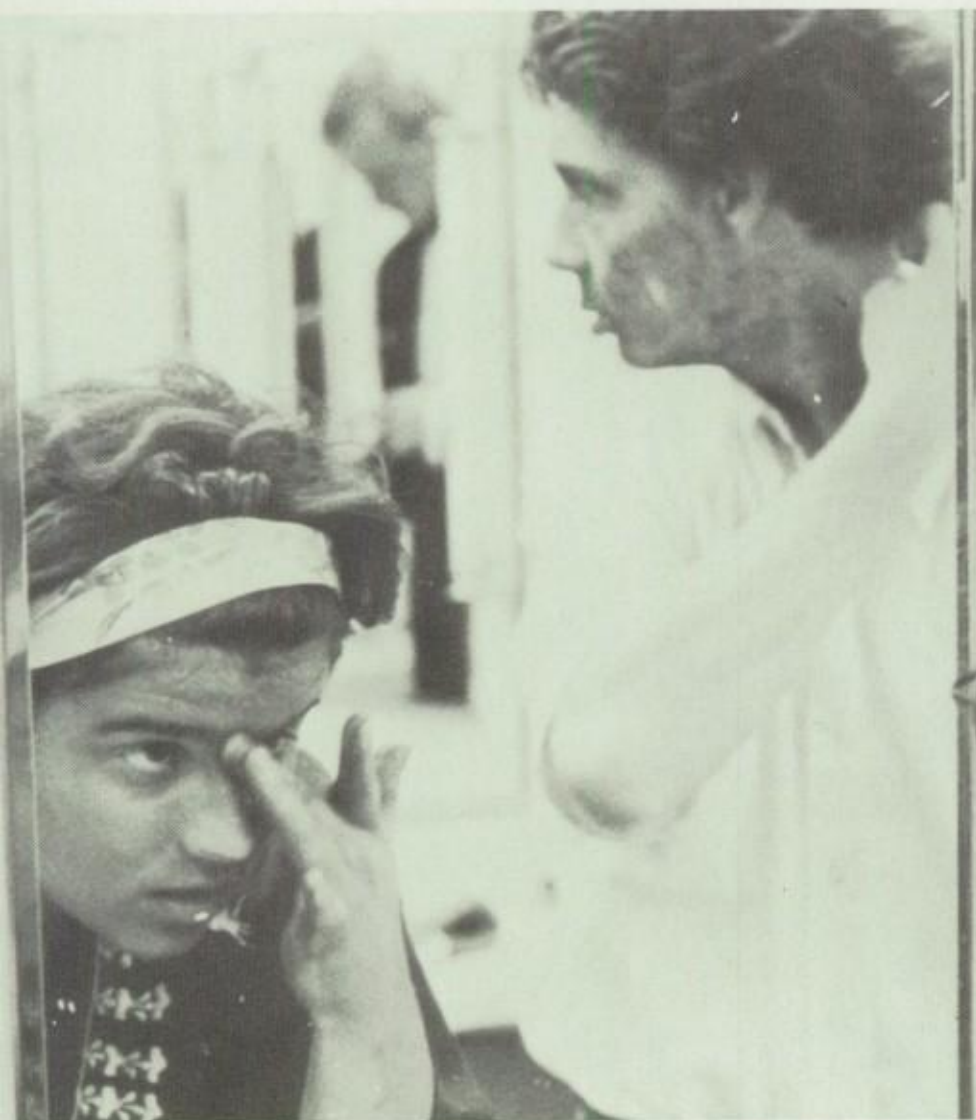
Sally Vanviller (Lisa Hinshaw) is unaware of the ominous hand, as it reaches from behind the curtains. (photo by M. McCrindle)



Carter Forstman (J.D. Greenwalt) is surrounded by crew members backstage, after the play. (photo by M. Smothers)



Jamie Leslie is just one of the behind the scenes people, manipulating the lighting during the performance. (photo by M. Smothers)



Wendy Walsh and Joel Westendorf get ready for their performance as Mr. Masters (Lars Negstad) stands in guilt at the right. (photos by M. Smothers)

DRAMATIC PERSONNAE:

"Chuck" Jeno Berta
 "Judy" Lisa Hoelzer
 "Zenita" Wendy Walsh
 "Roger Masters" Lars Negstad
 "Celia Lathrop" Kelli Kerry
 "T. J. Lathrop" Eric Willroth
 "Edgars" Joel Westendorf
 "Agatha Withers" Pam Claves
 "Sally VanViller" Lisa Hinshaw
 "Carter Forstman" J. D. Greenwalt
 "Jack Regent" Denny Herman
 "Hannibal Hix" Jeff Dertz

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Jack Regent (Denny Herman) has a vivid conversation with lawyer Roger Masters (Lars Negstad.) (photo by M. Smothers)



Hannibal Hix (Jeff Dertz) the bumbling detective, inspects the scissors protruding from the victim, Lars Negstad. (photo by M. Smothers)

Lights, Action... "Carousel!"

On the first and second of November the West High stage was lit up with brightly colored costumes and students alive with talent. An even more lit up stage was seen during the dinner theatre on the eighth and ninth. It was catered by Riefe's and the ushers were volunteer West High Students.

The rehearsals began early on in the school year for both actors and the orchestra people. Orchestra played an important part in the cueing of actors, and giving the feeling of liveliness to "Carousel." The set was one of the more elaborate seen on the stage; without the unified work of the set makers nothing would have come off. The lights added a festival feeling to the stage, and helped create the overall effect of an actual Carousel. The combined efforts of both stage director Tom Naab and music director Ann Houghton added the last rosy touch touch of dramatization the play needed.

The musical was about a factory worker, Julie Jordan (**Julie Lowder**, '86) and a carnival worker Billy Bigelow (**Jeff Bainbridge**, '86) who fell in love on the docks of some mysterious town on the coast of Maine. Billy was fired from the carnival by Mrs. Mullins (**Becky Greenwalt**, '86) for sticking up for the love he had for Julie. Julie had stayed out past curfew and Mr. Bascombe (**Jeno Berta**, '86) fired her. So now both were unemployed and money was hard to come by. Besides that hardship their love survived the difficulties, right into marriage. Billy later killed himself because he felt guilty for robbing the local bank so he could feed his family. While enroute to Heaven he was met by a Heavenly Friend (**Michelle Deem**, '86). She told him he had one more chance to redeem himself. He now had a daughter about fifteen who was going through a pretty rough time because of her father. He helped her through it and was admitted into heaven.

Diane Kunkle, '87, student director, summed up the dedication to "Carousel": "The way rehearsals went I didn't think the play would go too well. But the last week started good. Everyone in the cast looked at the play and decided to shape up the act and play, so that it turned out wonderful. The whole cast was excellent!"

(written by A. Behning and M. Parker)

Kelli Kerry, '87, Jeno Berta, '86, Eric Becker, '88, Julie Lowder, '86, and Missy Fields, '86, mourn Billy's (Jeff Bainbridge, '86) death. (photo by M. Smothers)



Julie Lowder, '86, and Jeff Bainbridge, '86, rehearse for "Carousel." (photo by M. Smothers)

Mrs. Ann Houghton and Jeff Dietz '86 practice the music his character, Mr. Snow, sings in "Carousel." (staff photo)



Mr. Snow, (Jeff Dietz '86) and Carrie Pepperidge, (Kelli Kerry '87) practice their dance during one of the many rehearsals. (staff photo)



Becky Greenwalt '86 and Julie Lowder '86 are stricken by Billy's death.



Mrs. Mullins (Becky Greenwalt '86) and Jigger (Kevin Carey '86), exchange insults during an argument. (photo by M. Smothers)

Life in the Vortex

High school life is often chaotic. Homework, extra-curricular activities, friends, games, dances, home, family, and jobs are all blended together into a mass of confusion, frustration, and jubilation. Students are truly on their own as they struggle through this VORTEX of activities and emotions. (written by B. Speer)

How Sweet it Is

Clubs are notorious for fundraisers. We have all seen the "Funky Winkerbean" comic strip with its determined band instructor, who sells everything from candy to pumpkins and turkeys—an item for every season.

The agonies of being a salesperson is known by many students at West. Candy bars and other edibles seem to be the most popular fundraisers. They contain an unknown amount of calories; yet someone in every class bought one, if not two.

Getting rid of the candy was no problem, but others did exist: "... running out of change, keeping track of all the money, and eating them," were just some according to Kris Farley, '87. Laura Tietjen, '87, added, "The box gets heavy after carrying it to every class." (written by B. Speer)

Sophomore Savy

The key to life is the ability to adjust. One of the biggest transitions a student must make is from junior high to high school—SOPHOMORE YEAR.

The word itself is a contradiction. Its literal translation means "wise fool." Though a sophomore may start out the year a "fool," he ends it being quite "wise" to the ways of West through numerous and often embarrassing experiences. The first obstacle for a sophomore is mastering his schedule. The computer managed to place his locker far from his classes and the classes far from each other.

Next is lunch. To get through the line, eat, and have time to catch up on all the gossip is the ultimate achievement.

"Homeward ho!" is the call of the exhausted sophomore. Wearily he trudges toward the final trial—the bus. Kicked out of seats by seniors and walked on by juniors, he sinks gratefully into the only empty seat. Beware—the bus is something to be endured, with the noise of radios, singing, and screaming added to the smell of week-old lunches, chewing tobacco, and musty cushions (something straight from the "Twilight Zone"). Take heart—everyone must endure sophomore year. It's a character builder! (written by B. Speer)

A Quagmire of Quirks

CRACK! TAP! SNAP! A new breakfast cereal? No, it is all about crazy quirks and hang-ups. Sitting in class with nothing to do, the pencil starts to tap, knuckles start to crack along with any other popable part (backs, necks, wrists...) Next the feet start to jiggle, tap, and bounce. Everyone does it to relieve tension, boredom, or even for amusement. Though many people engage in such activities, the same thing done by another is irritating and nerve wracking.

Sitting in study hall with someone humming or snapping his gum, it takes great control not to get up and rip off his lips or vocal cords, then tie the gum in a bow around it and give it back to the annoyance. After working late, partying all night and now trying to get some sleep in class, someone is incessantly clicking his pen. Suddenly in a moment of blind fury, the instigator sails through an open window to the courtyard below. Hopefully such extreme measures aren't needed, but next time — CLICK— think ... (written by B. Speer)

B-r-r-r R-i-n-g!

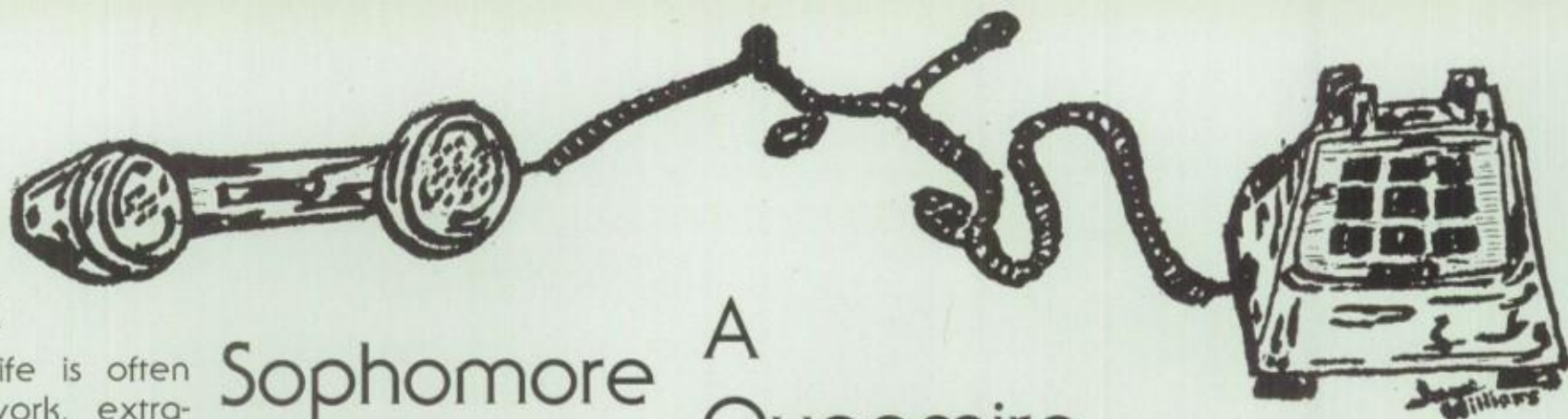
"Hello?" A thread of dread crept along the spine as the voice of the geek from sixth hour whined over the phone's receiver.

The phone: a device of romance, gossip, heartbreak, and in some cases, terror.

Whatever gossip couldn't be said in a class, the halls or lunch is discussed in detail over the phone. Major plans are made for weekend partying. Gossip may also entail the sharing of answers for various classes, or to listen to a last minute essay for a friend's opinion.

The device of terror comes when the wrong guy called at the wrong time. Guys feel the same when a girl relentlessly pursues them. At this time tell your family to answer the phone and tell them that you have temporarily moved to the frigid North Pole.

It always rings at the wrong time, too, either when just leaving, or after pulling the car into the driveway. It always stops just when you reach it. (written by B. Speer)



Students leave to go home. (photo by M. Smothers)

Time, Talent, Taste: Loafing

Loafing is a daily activity most West High students participate in. One could call it an extra-curricular activity, but like all activities, there is a wrong way and a right way to do it.

Knowing where to loaf is very important. A place where no one will get suspicious of one's intentions, such as a bedroom, bathroom, or even a closet, have proved to be places that work out well. As a last resort, a loafer might use the car.

The time is very important, too. If the timing is off, it does not matter how good the place is that has been discovered, it just will not work. Timing takes planning and careful consideration, especially if there is homework due the following day or if the garbage is beginning to tower over the six and a half foot father of the household. In situations like these, consider loafing carefully.

West High students eat all the time, that is a known fact. So when loafing becomes a major part of everyday activities, knowing what to eat is very important. Soft foods that do not make any noise are perfect for loafing. Beginners should start with bananas and sandwiches. Then as they become more experienced, they can move onto the fancy stuff, like potato chips.

Excuses are an extreme necessity. A loafer must have an excuse for all occasions. If one gets caught loafing, who knows what might happen? An excuse like, "I was teaching the bed how to make itself," is a good one to tell someone after the deed is done.

If one is a beginning loafer, like a sophomore, then he should listen in the halls for tips on how to loaf and value them greatly. (written by A. Behning)

Mike Farley, '88, practices his loafing techniques during class. (photo by K. Redeker)



Bathroom Talk

"Did you see what she wore to the dance?"

"What do you think I would look like with a pink stripe going down the back of my head?"

"Cough, cough!"

Many phrases like these can be heard throughout the stalls of the West High School girls' restrooms, the gossip center of West High School.

Bathroom talk can range from topics such as shoelaces to the latest homework assignment to the party on Friday night.

Stepping into the bathroom is like walking into a totally different world. There is a dense atmosphere and a sense of peacefulness until someone rounds the corner, then the noise volume is greatly increased.

The talk in the "girls' room" is really nothing more than a tension

reliever. A girl needs this place where she can run a brush through her hair, brush on a little blush so she looks alive, and catch up on one of the many West High School soap opera romances before she heads back to class.

The talk in the bathroom has helped to pass many tests, helped couples on the verge of breaking up, and has become an everyday social place. The girls' room is a place where a girl can "get away from it all." (written by A. Behning)



Girls discuss the events of the day. (photo by K. Redeker)

Some take the art of loafing seriously, practicing every chance they get. (staff photo)



Making a List, Checking it Twice...

A couple walks hand-in-hand and have eyes only for each other, until the blonde from his fourth hour walks by, and gorgeous Greg smiles at her. True love runs rampant in the high school halls, running its course anywhere from a day to a week or a month.

High school romance is an experiment conducted in the bonds of infatuation. What can be done to avoid frequent heart-break—every date can't be expected to provide a resumé complete with all past encounters in "love." Make a list of the prospective flame's qualities. Be a bit wary and suspect infatuation IF:

(1) The main attraction is his car, her money or vice versa. (Drop the relationship and get a job.)

(2) Your common interest is

watching "Sesame Street" or "Mr. Rogers." (Give it time, you both need time to mature.)

(3) The relationship starts out with neither remembering how, or when, or what happened—(FORGET IT!)

(4) It is an on-again off-again relationship. (You are better off without it.)

(5) You foresee the end of the relationship with a smoking gun. (End it now.)

(6) Your absence makes his / her heart fonder—fonder of your friends. (Put in your two weeks now.)

(7) He / she has a short fuse and is always ready to

blow-up. (Do not light a match.)

(8) It is always take: your money, time, etc., and no give. (Give 'em the boot.)

(9) His / her reputation that preceeded was quite shady. (Say no thanks, I've seen the previews.)

(10) He / she has a big ego, or in other words, is a legend in their own mind. (Give him / her a piece of yours.)

(11) You never see him / her in any public place unless it is dark. (See the light and drop the bozo, preferably with a good right hook.)

Hopefully these pointers are of some value. A last word of advice for all would-be "lovebirds": start a trend—be infatuated instead and remember all is fair in "love" and war. (written by B. Speer)



Tiptoe Past the Sentry

Sneaking in past curfew is something many students can relate to. Quietly they approach the locked door and superstitiously remove the keys from a pocket or purse, carefully not to let them jingle and awake sleeping parents. The door clicks open cautiously, followed by a low growl and a curse from the student upon man's

best friend — but no friend to a teenager sneaking in past curfew. Slipping quietly past the grinning dog, the teen hastily goes to his room, avoiding looking at the clock to validate the excuse "I don't know what time it was when I got in!". A sigh of relief escapes his lips as he goes to bed relieved. Then he notices the note on his pillow —

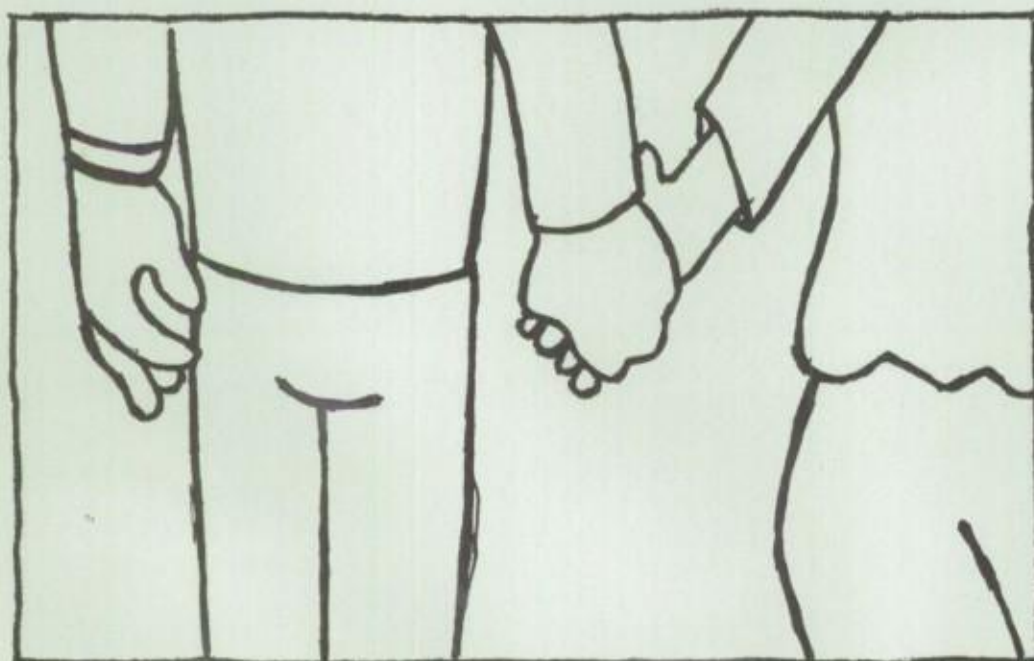
"You are grounded!".

Defeated, he falls miserably asleep.

The car keys are taken away and the phone unplugged, then boredom sets in. The days of freedom are temporarily (hopefully) gone.

The good thing to come from being grounded is additional time

for homework and to study. Plus a real excuse to turn down "Prince Charming". Lastly, it gives a teenager time to get to know those who sit at the dinner table and claim relation. (written by A. Behning and B. Speer)



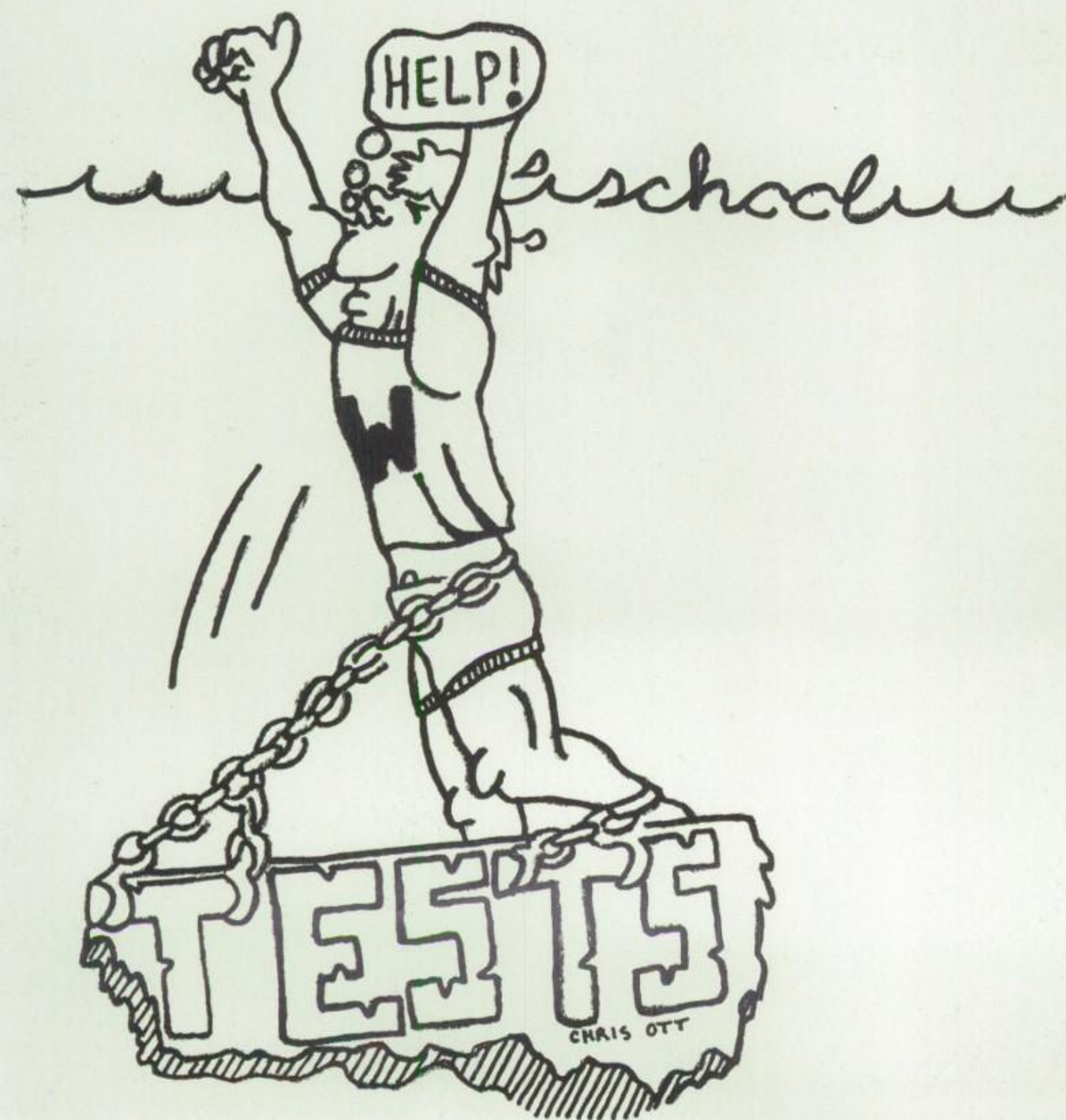
Just Enough to Cure Insomnia

Glancing wearily at the clock, an eyeball trembles as if threatening to pop out. Your hand shakes as it guides the coffee cup to your lips. Hunched wearily over a book, your head begins to nod, eyes to roll and then they close, with your nose pressed firmly into the book.

A nightmare enters your calm sleep. Fractions, numbers, words, and equations chase you into a large opened textbook. Your eyes snap open again as you begin to

study.

Homework is not an illusion, it is a living nightmare. Students have the idea that teachers work together planning tests and long assignments, while teachers think that students organize homework strikes, after a majority of the classes go by with a minority of the students having finished their homework. The aggravations of being a student are proportional to that of being a teacher. (written by B. Speer)



Bathroom Talk Two — the Boys

"Did you see that pass at Friday's game?"

"I took Melvina out for pizza Saturday — what a babel!"

"Hey !!! Who has my comb?"

Is this the start of a high school fight, a BoyScout troop in survival training for high school? No, just everyday talk that goes on in the boys' locker room.

Similar to the girls in many respects, all this talk provides an escape from the monotony of high school and its problems. Ranging from basketball to bubblegum, cars, and the economics of dating, it has proven interesting enough to eavesdrop on.

Girls, rest easy, for boys spend just as much time in front of the mirror. According to one unidentified sophomore, "You need a number to get in front of the mirror in there." (written by A. Behning)

In the Swim of Things

Homework, test, quiz, and final exam were just the words to make a West student cringe. The teacher made a fatal assignment that sent the troops into a battle of words and thought, with a mission to remember and receive few casualties.

After class students strolled down the hall on their way home, one was a stack of books with arms and legs, the next had a backpack slung over his shoulder, the last strutted nonchalantly down the hall with only a coat in hand. From one extreme to another and very medium between, the students of West must learn to swim, float, or sink in the sea of knowl-

edge.

The swimmer is hard working. Clean, fast strokes of knowledge cut through the haze of confusion and homework. Though the swimmer may falter, he plunges on with determination and set goals.

The floater is less active, doing just enough to maintain his position and remain afloat. A rough wave occasionally submerges the floater. Struggling to the surface he realizes his vague and distant goals. Breaking the surface he sighs, letting it all slip away like a bad dream.

The sinkers (drowning) are amphibious, due to the great time spent with their heads submerged

— though not in books. This breed of student is totally unaware, enjoying the serenity of the still depths. Untouched by sound and sight the student glides effortlessly in the dark unknowing depths.

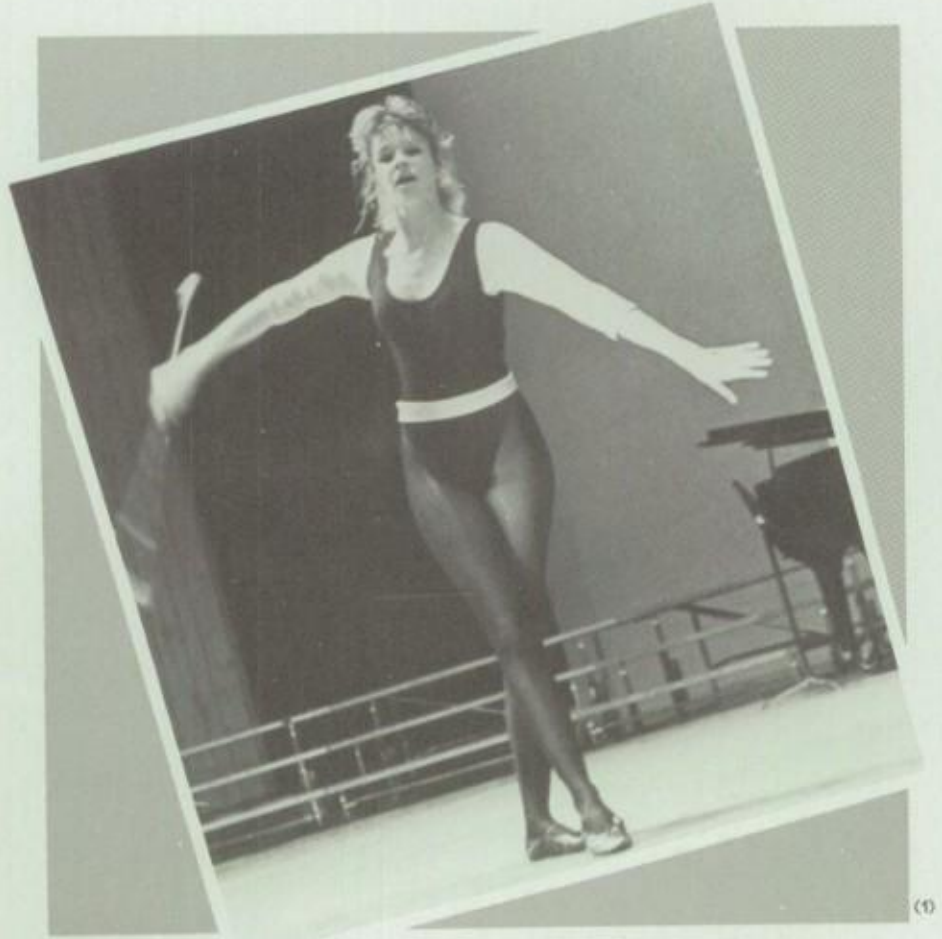
For students in these possible situations, I offer the following advice: Take swimming lessons, buy a wet suit, and watch out for sharks! (written by B. Speer)

(1) Kim Lybarger, '86 captivates the audience with her twirling. (photo by K. C. Redeker)

(2) Wendy Buzzell, '88 and Kelli Kerry, '87 are all smiles at the Variety Show. (photo by K. C. Redeker)

(3) Orchestra performs a Mexican folk song for the Variety Show. (photo by K. C. Redeker)

(4) Jeno Berta, '86 enthralls the audience with anecdotes during the Variety Show. (photo by K. C. Redeker)



Michelle Deem, '86, Karla Schmeider, '86, and Julie Lowder, '86 enlighten the audience during the variety show. (photo by K. C. Redeker)



A Touch of Class

"A Touch of Class" was the snappy theme of this year's talent and variety show as the young stars of West put forth their best efforts to create a sparkling performance.

The stage was alive with solos, trios, choirs, bands, mimes, and fancy footwork on both Thursday and Saturday evenings.

The master of ceremonies, Jeno Berta, kept the audience on their toes as he introduced the performers.

The acts were:

Dance Duo: **Karla Schmeider**, '86, and **Wendy Buzzell**, '87. Dance Group: "Basin Street Blues" performed by Pom-Pons.

Vocal Soloists: "Come In From The Rain" sung by **Michelle Deem**, '86, "Skylark" sung by **Karla Schmeider**, '86, and "When I Fall In Love" sung by **Connie Lawson**, '86.

Vocal Duo: "What I Did For Love" sung by **Julie Lowder**, '86, and **Missy Fields**, '86.

Vocal Trio: "Why Do Fools Fall In Love" sung by **Julie Lowder**, '86, **Michelle Deem**, '86, and **Karla Schmeider**, '86.

Vocal Groups: aCappella and Show Choir.

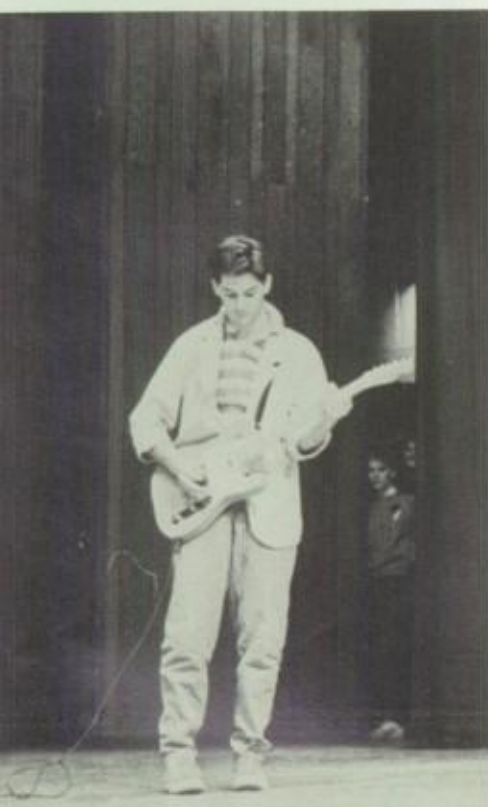
Music Groups: Show Band and Dance Band.

Rock Band: "Johnny Be Good" performed by **Matt Truitt**, '86, **Andy Fleming**, '86, **Rodeny Blocker**, '86, and **Brian Martin**, '86.

Trombone Duo: "Rawbones" performed by **Bill Paarmann**, '86 and **Brian Natzke**, '87.

Mime: **Becky Greenwalt**, '86

An extravaganza of talent was displayed during "A Touch of Class" with students giving their all and doing it on their own. (written by A. Behning)



Andrew Flemming, '86 is "Intro" his rock star role during his performance in the Variety Show. (photo by K. C. Redeker)



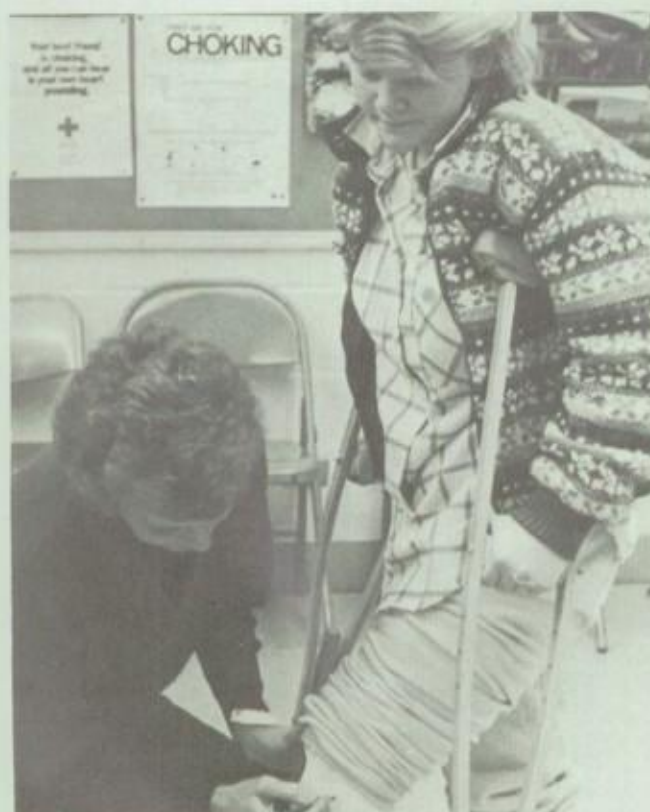
Brian Martin, '86 and Matt Truitt, '86 jam to the beat of "Johnny Be Good." (photo by K. C. Redeker)

Reaching Out to West to Do a Special Job

As students flirted with the sometimes unreachable concept of freedom and individuality, they often found themselves turning their thoughts upon those people who work behind the scenes at West. To find those people, one had to do much digging and trudging through the layers of mystery and illusion that some of these "unsung heroes" had woven. Not every person on the faculty or work crews took their position because of the recognition they thought they would acquire. Some realized some "small" way to help the students of West find their way along the long, tiresome path they must travel; and they did help. All through West, these silent helpers worked their much appreciated wonders and reached out to touch many students' lives.

One could see the fruits of their labors through the spotless classrooms, time-consuming but nutritious meals, activities planned, and the sparkle in their eye when they had done what they felt would help the students.

In time, every student realized that without the care and subtle nurturing that these unsung heroes provided willingly, there would be no way to make it ON THEIR OWN. In tribute to all those who work behind the scenes, the West Falcons salute and thank you! (written by J. Wheadon)



(1) Representing the main part of the administration are Mr. Roger Brown, Mr. James Foy, Mr. William Rettko, and Mr. Robert McDonald. (photo by T. Zinger)

(2) Being of more help than one could possibly express, Mrs. Sindie Van Kirk translates a few phrases for a student. (photo by T. Zinger)

(3) Taking time to sign a student's cast is Nurse Betty Wulf. (photo by K. Redeker)



(1) Coordinating activities and meetings to help the school run smoothly is one job Mrs. Shirley Arp does well. (photo by M. Parker)

(2) Representing the custodial staff are Leonard Brady, James Meyer, Sharon Deters, Ethel Kozma, Ira Luse, Robert Cover, and Mel Oberhaus. (photo by K. Redeker)

(3) This year's cooking staff Row 1: D. Garlock, R. Ferrel, L. Hoon, B. Johannsen, B. Bennett, C. Schevers, G. Garcia, M. Allees, and R. Rietz; Row 2: A. Johnson, L. Hill, A. Kling, A. Hamann, B. Rupe, P. Waldron, E. Schachow, S. Graham, R. Carter, and P. Gillespie. (Photo by D. Kunkle)

(5) Mr. Louis Means works to make students' schedules run more smoothly. (Photo by M. Parker)

(4) The secretarial staff this year are Row 1: B. Walther, B. Flynn, D. Ralfs, J. McCollum, and M. Lafrenz, Row 2: J. Schroeder and D. Hamann. (Photo by M. Parker)

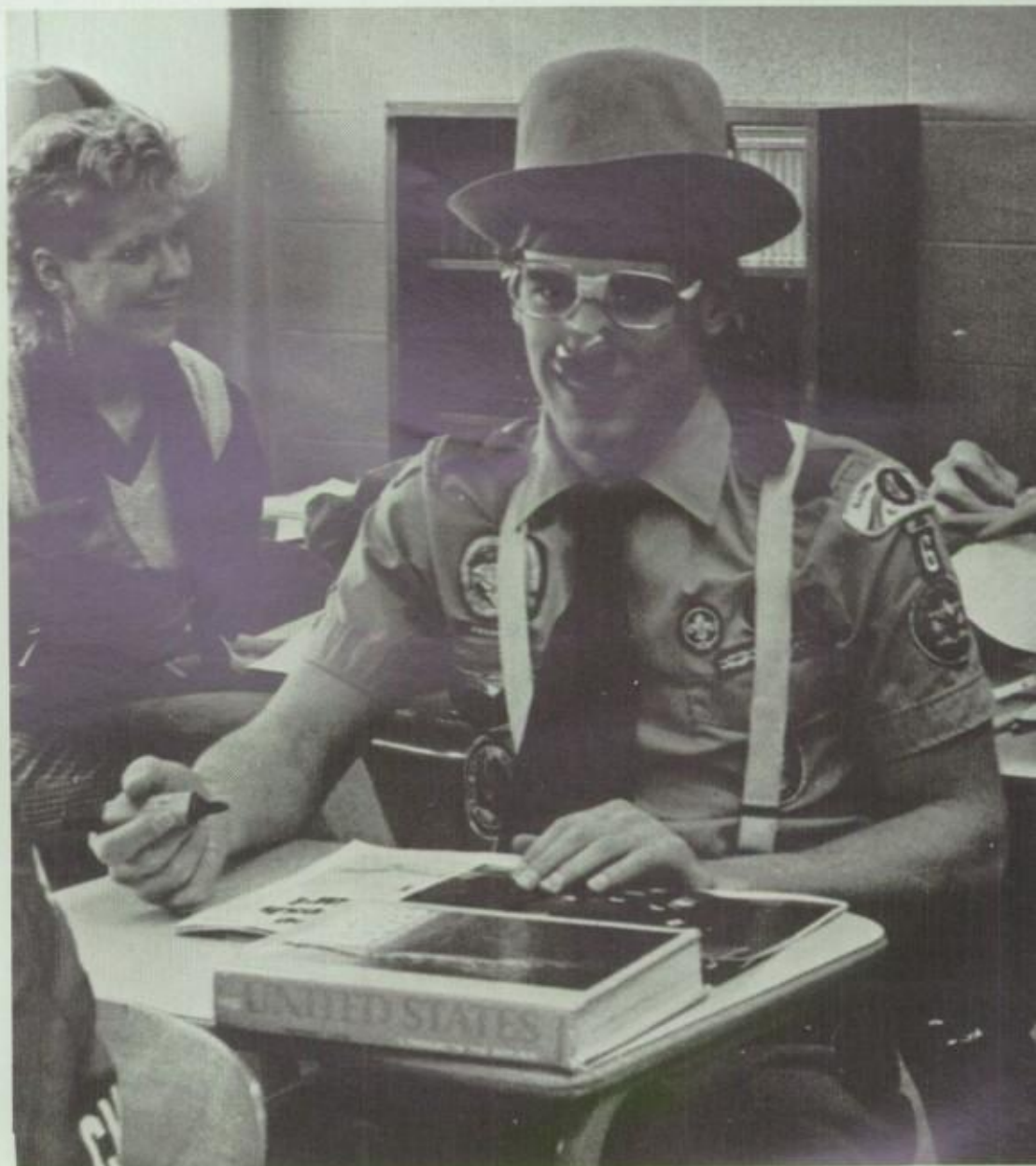


For Ronette Roehlk '88 study hall is the perfect place to daydream.

photo by M. Moscinski

Though seeming to be a nightmare, being a pet may provide Jeff Ryan '87 with inspiration.

Photo by M. Parker



Deeply involved with his schoolwork, Mike McCrindle might not have time for dreaming, but there's always afterschool. photo by K. Redeker



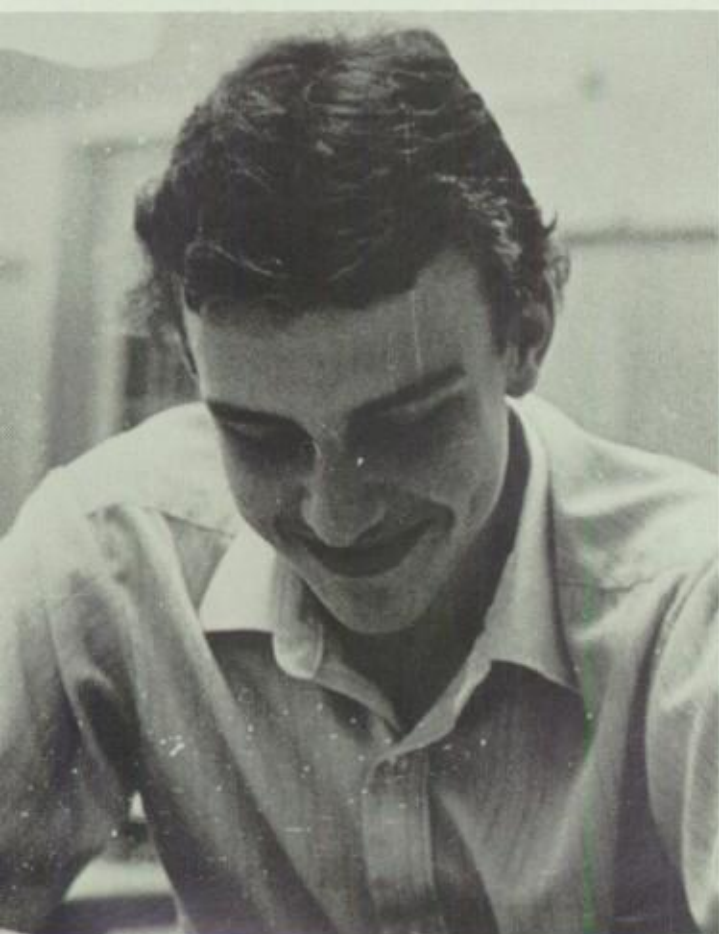
Dreams That Keep

Adolescence was a time to dream, dream of the future. Measured in seconds, minutes, days, and years, the future was still unknown, leaving plenty of time to dream.

Dreams are often viewed as something to think about, wish for, but were never supposed to come true. The crush on the blonde in gym class, or sinking the winning shot of the big game, existed only in students' minds and were supposed to stay there.

The brain functioned constantly to maintain and preserve dreams. Day or night, they were built or received with the movies that flashed across T.V. and movie screens, in the books English teachers had students read, and in the music that blared from stereos and headphones.

Though not a solution, a dream helped to realize a goal and provide a buffer zone against life. A dream shaped reality, was an inspiration to keep going, and an incentive to achieve. (written by B. Speer)



Dreams bring many smiles, like senior Jerry Blumer's secretive grin. Photo by M. Moscinski



Sherry Rodriguez '88 stares out a window, lost in a dream. Photo by M. Moscinski

A Helping Hand

T.J. Rubley, '87 displays the behavior expected by owners of pet during Charity Week. (photo by M. Moscinski)

West students proved their hearts were in the right places during Charity Week held the week of December second.

Student Senate organized fund raisers and a food, money, and clothing drive. The organized activities were: "air band", a variety show, a jellybean counting contest, a pet auction, and a dance. All food and clothing donations went to help local needy families, while money was donated to the Spina Bifida Association. During the aud held on the last day of Charity Week a representative from the organization came to personally extend a warm thanks to the students of WHS.

Charity Week showed that students were concerned with those who may have been less fortunate than they were. The stereotyped teen image received a bit of polish through their efforts. (written by B. Speer)



Matt Truitt, '86, and Veronica Trevino, '88, are appropriately dressed for their roles as pets during Charity Week. (photo by K. Rodriguez)



Jeff Ryan, '88, and Rod Moeller, '87 perform their bizzare deeds during their day as pets. (photo by M. Parker)

Junior girls clap to the beat of "Go Big Red" during the Spirit Week aud. (photo by S. Lyle)



Mark Tanner, '86, cruises on a tricycle, grinning as he listens to the roar of the crowd. (photo by S. Lyle)



Outrageous Spirit Teems

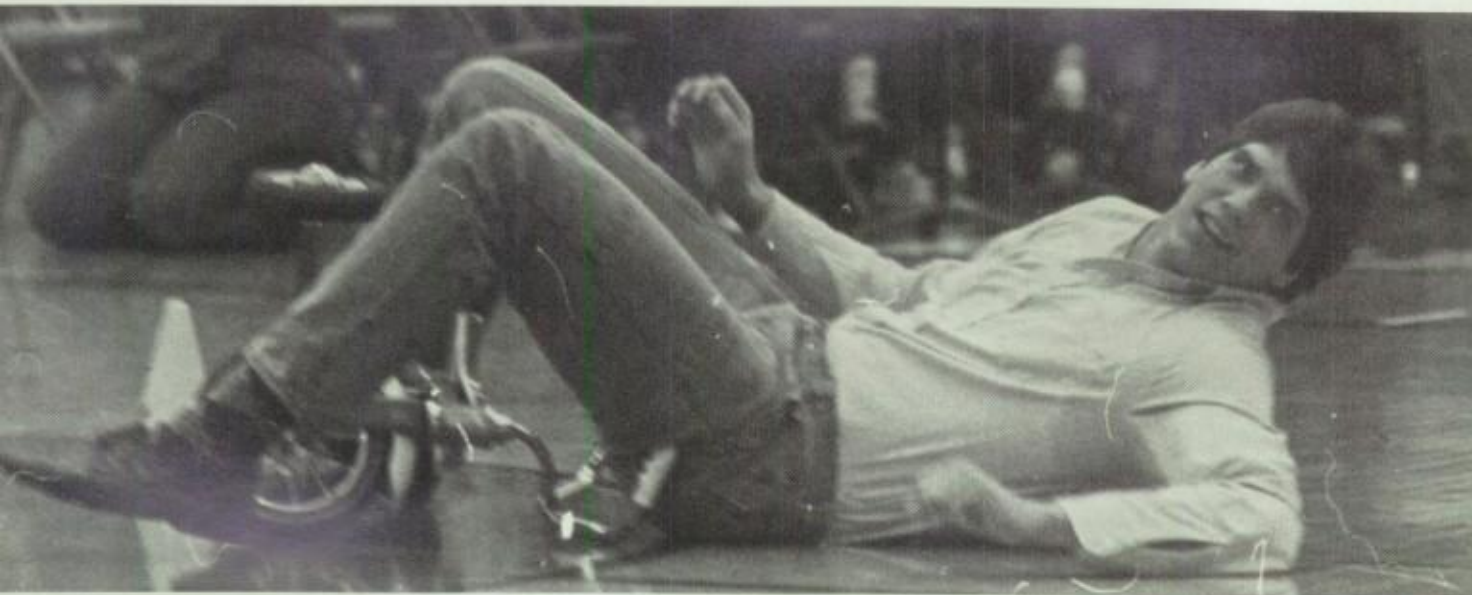
Put students teeming with spirit and practically a free reign to be outrageous, and that is Spirit Week. For five days during the week of February third students dressed—up according to what had been organized by Student Senate. The days were: Tie, Shades, and Hat Day (Monday); Hawaiian Day (Tuesday); Fifties Day (Wednesday); Nerd Day (Thursday); and Red and White Day (Friday).

The week ended with a pep aud recognizing the winter sports of wrestling and Boys' Basketball.

The students of West High were on their own to make the week a success—and they did! (written by A. Behning)

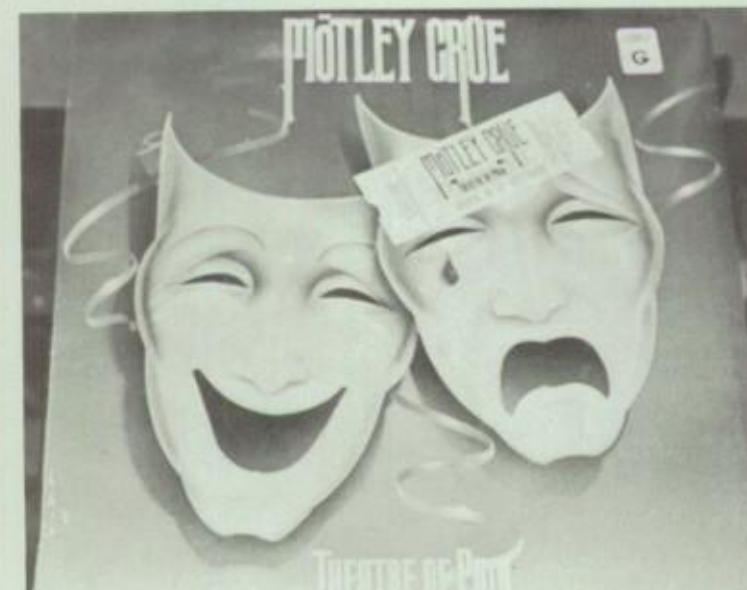
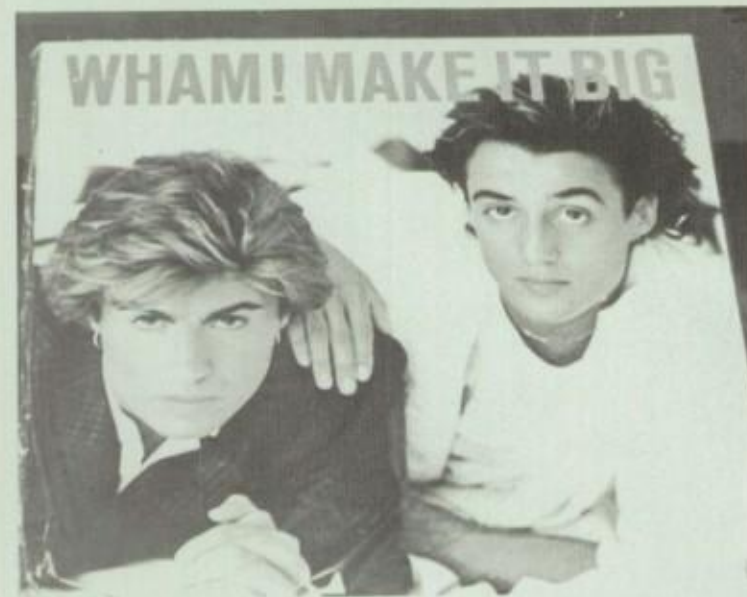


Brenda Fields, '88, is bedecked in nerdwear for the occasion. (staff photo)



Properly attired for Nerd Day is Mrs. Stark with some of her spirited students. (staff photo)

Troy Mullenburg, '86 grins at his spoiled attempt to win the tricycle. (photo by S. Lyle)



Students' music tastes vary from hard rock to new wave as displayed by these album covers. (photo by B. Speer)

Stardom and gossip go hand-in-hand; avid rock fans follow their idols through various magazines' headlines. (photo by B. Speer)

Steven Spielberg's "Back to the Future" was a top attraction at the movie theaters in 1986.



The return of Rocky Balboa in "Rocky IV" pitted him against a formidable Russian opponent.

Top Priority: Entertainment

From a quiet night of T.V. at home to a packed cafeteria gyrating to rock music, or sitting in a cinema smelling aromatically of popcorn, students were entertained by the best of 1985.

Keeping one eye on the homework and one on the television was a talent most students could boast they had. Lured to the flickering screen by shows like "Miami Vice", "Family Ties", and "The Cosby Show", students divided their time between the two until both eyes shifted to encompass the T.V.'s action. Newly introduced was Independent Channel 18, offering re-runs of older sitcoms like "My Favorite Martian", and "The Twilight Zone".

Music, food for the soul, became more than that, as pop and rock stars donated their time to feed the victims of the Ethiopian famine in Africa. The first was a release by English Band-Aid, and the second by the American version, U.S.A. for Africa. In a festival of rock-n-roll not seen since Woodstock, LIVE AID, simultanelusly telecast from Philadelphia, and England's Wembley Stadium, made music history. "Americanism" peaked as Bruce Springsteen closed the generation gap during his "Born in the U.S.A." tour. The 'ol American spirit was also displayed by the efforts of rockers to support farmers on the verge of losing their farms during FARM AID in Springfield, IL. Other music news was the break-up of Van Halen, with the departure of David Lee Roth, who was later replaced by "Red Rocker" Sammy Hagar. Rock music has always had a controversial shadow, since its first ear-popping twang. Earlier in 1985 it was proposed that albums be rated on the suggestiveness of their lyrics.

Movies were a showcase for action and students' idols, with movies like "The Breakfast Club". Students left cinemas humming "Gotta get back in time..." from "Back to the Future", or shouting "Ooga ooga ooga, aah aah aah!" from "St. Elmo's Fire", some left imitating the raspy voice of "Rambo", or demonstrating the winning punch of "Rocky IV".

The free time of students was greatly valued, especially if there was very little of it. Time became top priority for students to arrange and plan what to do with friends, boyfriends, girlfriends, and parents. The entertainment industry provided the inspiration, mode, and music behind the students' planned activities. (written by B. Speer)

All album cover photos were taken at the courtesy of Co-Op Tapes and Records.





Reflections of 1985-86

Politics, natural disaster, man-made disaster, and terrorism were the headlines of 1985.

The most promising political news resulted from the Geneva Summit between President Ronald Reagan and Premier Mikhail Gorbachev. In a token of good faith, the two nations exchanged salutations on New Year's Day. For the first time in history Americans were addressed by the Soviet Premier, and the President was telecast on Soviet television.

The scientific event of the year was the return of Halley's comet. Originally it was hailed as an omen of death and destruction, but in 1985 people rushed for their telescopes to catch a glimpse of the once-in-a-lifetime sighting. Heedless of superstitions, scientists were eager to send probes into space and record their findings.

The disaster striking the hearts of the world was the plight of the Ethiopians plagued by famine. Attempting to help were the popstars who organized Band-Aid, U.S.A. for Africa, and LIVE AID. The result of all their donated time and talents went to relieve the Ethiopian's hunger.

Inside the U.S. a tragedy took place, striking fear into the heart of the country. Aids created a frenzy of paranoia, like banning children with the virus from schools. The death of moviestar Rock Hudson made many realize that no one was "untouchable".

Terrorism took credit for many of the newsmaking events of 1985. There were numerous hijackings and bombings, an assault on U.S. Marines in Lebanon, and car bombing near a military installation in West Berlin. The most prominent hijackings were the Achille-Lauro and TWA Flight 847.

The policy of apartheid in South Africa became even more controversial. The President was urged to take political sanctions against the South African government.

"We're not here to start no trouble, we're just here to do the Superbowl shuffle..." was the claim of the Chicago Bears. It was their first trip to the Superbowl, causing overnight recognition for many of the players, like William "Refrigerator" Perry. It also caused a surge of Bears paraphernalia throughout the country, especially in the Chicago area.

Also in 1985 sports was the first time two Missouri teams competed for the pennant. The Kansas City Royals upset the favored St. Louis Cardinals four games to three.

An event having international, national, and local repercussions was the sale of International Harvester's Agriculture Equipment Business. The sale included the Moline plant and the equipment of the Rock Island plant, but not the building itself. The closing of the Rock Island plant put thousands of Quadcities out of work in a time of economic recession.

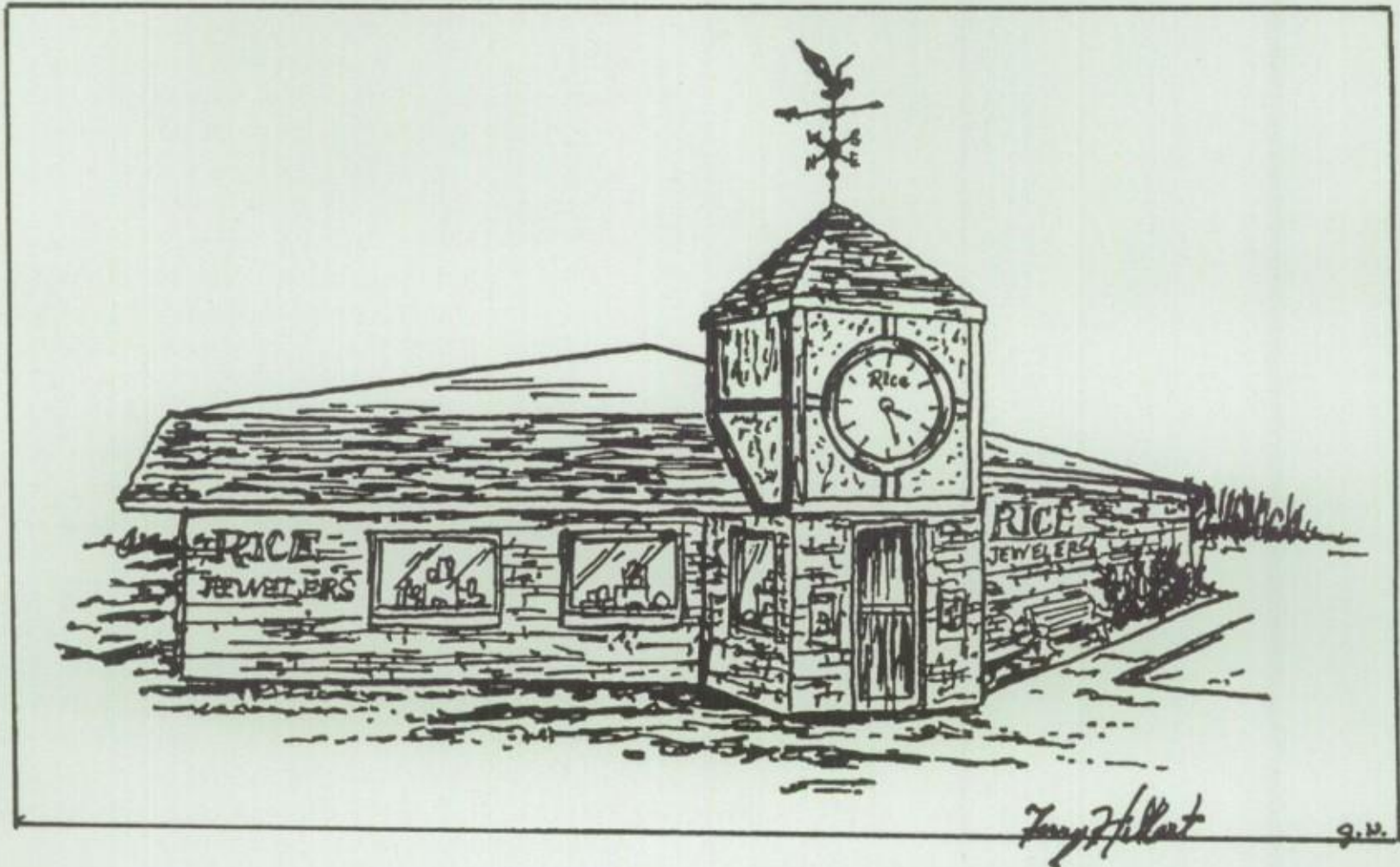
An event of expectation and hope turned to shock and tragedy when the space shuttle Challenger exploded. The nation and world mourned the loss of: Commander Scobee, pilot Michael Smith, teacher Christa McAuliffe, Judith Resnik, Ellison Onizuka, Ronald McNair, and Gregory Jarvis.

The shuffle of news that occurred during the year became significant as it molded and shaped our lives. It reflected the attitude and changes of a generation. (written by B. Speer)

"Time" and "Life" magazines display the prominent issues on their covers. (photo by B. Speer)

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Teachers devote many hours during the year to special meetings and discussions. (staff photo)



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Dick Arnold: Developmental Ed.

Morris Barnhill: Social Studies
John Breck: Industrial Studies

Merle Byram: Industrial Arts
George Case: Guidance

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Larry Duke: Fine Arts

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Pamela Leszynski: Language Arts
Sharon Lucas: Home Econ.
Steve Lyle: Language Arts

Robert Malake: Mathematics
 Patricia McConnell: Language Arts
 Louis Means: Guidance
 Karen Moore: Mathematics
 Carla Morgan: Business Education



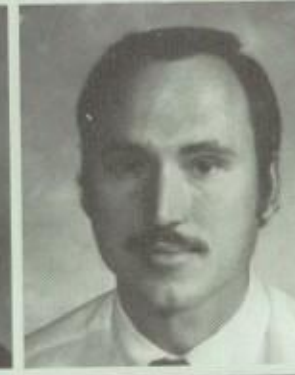
Vern Murdock: Language Arts
 John Nagy: Mathematics
 Sally Nelson: Home Economics
 Martha Novinger: Business Ed.
 Rita Ohland: Foreign Language



Norm Pagels: Fine Arts
 Hildasue Petersen: Mathematics
 Kit Redeker: Language Arts
 Mark Richter: Science
 Shirley Riecke: Language Arts



Jon Ripslinger: Language Arts
 Joyce Russell: Developmental Ed.
 Steve Saladino: Science
 Grace Sible: Language Arts
 Alice Smith: Fine Arts



Betty Smith: Physical Education
 Robert Smith: Social Studies
 Roger Smith: Business Ed.
 Gene Soehl: Science
 Tom Souhrada: Industrial Arts



Lucille Stacer: Foreign Language
 Susanne Stark: Mathematics
 Sally Sullivan: Foreign Language
 Sue Thompson: Developmental Ed.
 Dan Tuffree: Gifted and Talented



Ed Vogt: Driver's Ed.
 Scott Wolf: Mathematics
 Betty Wulf: Nurse
 Gary Zalaznik: Business Ed.
 Gerald Zinn: Driver's Ed.



Serious Evaluations Keep Teachers Busy



(1) The English Department is only one of the groups that are critiqued. FRONT ROW: Katherine Redeker, Pamela Leszynski, Shirley Rieke, Diane Flaherty, Patricia McConnell, Mary Tucker; BACK ROW: John Ripslinger, Sue Cleaver, Vern Murdock, Tom Handlen, Richard Hedeon, Tom Naab, Aaron King. (photos by S. Lyle)

(2) Ed Vogt and John Greenlee are sure to understand the importance of the evaluation of West.

(3) The Business Department also gets in on the evaluation. FRONT ROW: Mark Cremer, Carla Morgan, Martha Novinger, Gary Bates; BACK ROW: Gary Zalaznik, Robert Granger, Marlin Danielson, Roger Smith.



The rumors spread like wild-fire. The subject: no school.

To the students it was a blessed day off from school but for some, it was a time to take school seriously.

On December 11 students enjoyed early dismissal, while teachers remained for meetings. These meetings had to do with West's membership in the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. A high school's membership in this association means that once every seven years the school must go through an evaluation process to see if its policies, programs, and facilities meet the standards of the association.

Setting standards for secondary schools has been a gradual process. Around 1885, colleges in various parts of the country began to organize. They soon realized that standards needed to be set for entrance requirements among the colleges. Since secondary schools were involved in preparing students for college work, they were also brought into the memberships of such associations. By 1901, the College Entrance Examination Board had been established, and secondary schools took up the challenge of raising educational standards to meet those college requirements. Thus, the process of accreditation was born. Minimum standards were set. Colleges and schools were inspected to determine whether or not they met those standards. In the meetings, teachers met to determine the goals and objectives of the school. Once the philosophy was reviewed and accepted by the faculty, the faculty was divided into

committees to consider the strengths and weaknesses of each department. The self-evaluation took many hours.

Next year, the "visitors" will arrive to complete the evaluation. A group composed of administrators and teachers from various schools will visit all departments and recommend changes to insure that West High School will remain a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. (written by K. Redeker)

Once Upon a Time...

The senior class of 1986 entered kindergarten in the fall of 1973. When we first arrived at kindergarten some of us were scared while others were excited. We all came from different backgrounds but eventually we became friends with each other.

As a class we have struggled through the distant days of grade school, the trials of junior high, but most of us have reached the triumph of finishing high school.

When we were first attempting to master knowing which color was blue and counting higher than two, some of us used to day-dream about what we would be when we "grew up." Our senior year was when most of us decided to begin fulfilling our dreams. Instead of our first dreams of being ballerinas, firemen, nurses, doctors or mommies, some of us are pursuing different choices.

Some of us will go off to college or the service, some to a job right away, others will get married or engaged, and the rest of us might just bum around for a while. No matter what we decide to do when we are on our own, we will never forget being a class from '73 to '86. (written by J. Williams)



Although these students represent the togetherness of the Class of 1986, we will soon be on our own. (staff photo)

Lisa Agan: Jan. Grad.; Vocational-Model Office

Lisa Alberts: French Club

Sally Albright

Kim Kambra Almond: Art Club; GAA; ROCK; Student Congress Rep.; Eyas; Manager Boys Varsity Basketball

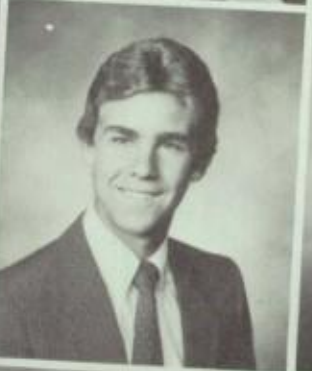


James Alvarez: Weight Club; Wrestling; Jan. Grad.

Billie Jo Anderson

Bret Anderson: JA-Vice Pres. of Finance; Semester Honor Roll; Baseball-All Conference; Newspaper-Business Manager; State Bowling; Homecoming Escort

Christine Anderson



Jeffery Anderson

Scott Anderson: JA; Golf; Swim team; Homecoming Escort

Teri Anderson: Aquesta; French Club; GAA; TSC; Student Congress Rep.; Synchronized swimming

Theresa L. Andres: Art Club; Art-Extra Effort; GAA; Spanish Club



Tracy Angstrom

Dawn Arndt: GAA; Student Congress Rep.

Jenell K. Arnold: French Club; GAA-Gala Chairperson and Escort; Ski Club; Homecoming Court; Junior Class Officer- Pres.; Student Senator- Pres.; Semester Honor Roll; Gifted and Talented; Student Congress Rep.; Distance running; Track; One Acts; Pom-Pom; Varsity Cheerleader; Student Senate-Pres.

Donna Arthur: Softball





Michelle Atherton: French Club; GAA-
Vice Pres.;
Tennis; Track; Volleyball; GALA Escort;
Cheerleader
Richelle R. Atkins: Co-op; GAA; Span-
ish Club; Swim Team-Mgr.
Kimberlyn Aust: New student '84-'86;
Betrendorf High '82-'84
Val M. Baccon: Co-op

Wade Badure: Co-op
Donald Baker
Jeff Baker
Melissa Dawn Ball: Art Club; DECA;
GAA; Student Congress Rep.; Track

Lisa Ballard
Eric Banks: Marching Band; Orchestra;
Variety Show; Gifted and Talented
Marla D. Bankson: aCappella; Mixed
Chorus; Treble Chorus; Variety Show;
Show Choir; Catch a Rising Star;
Semester Honor Roll; Student Congress
Rep.; One Acts
Doug Bargfield: Art Club; Homecom-
ing Escort; Semester Honor Roll; Cross
Country; Track

James Barnes
Scott Bartling: Letterman's Club;
ROCK; Ski Club; Weight Club; Football;
Wrestling
Monica A. Barton: GAA; Cheerleader
Debbie Bates: GAA; Spanish Club

Crystal Batey: ROCK; Marching Band;
Semester Honor Roll; Jan. Grad.
Beth Bearbower: New Student '84-'86,
Assumption High '82-'84; Basketball;
Swim Team; Track
Mike Becker
Mike Bedford: New Student '84-'86,
North Scott High '82-'84

Michael Bengston: New Student '84-
'86, Assumption '83-'84; Ski Club;
Weight Club
Bret Bennett: JA; Semester Honor Roll
Kimberly Sue Bennett: Girls' State;
Basketball;
Softball; Volleyball
Christopher M. Benware: Who's Who
in H.S. America; Basketball

Don Bergthold
Jeno M. Berta: Drama Club-VP; Thespi-
an-VP; aCappella; Variety
Show; Catch a Rising Star; Boys' State; Student Senator; School
Board Rep.; Semester Honor Roll; Gifted and Talented; Who's
Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep; Soccer; Debate;
Speech Events; One Acts; Musical; Play; Natl. Speech Tournament;
NFL-VP-P; IA State Thespi- Pres.
Joanna Biles: Aquesta; Drama Club; JA; aCappella; Variety Show;
Catch a Rising Star; Marching Band; Mixed Chorus; Orchestra;
Chamber Choir; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America;
Swim Team; Synchronized Swimming; Musical
Lesla Biles: Drama Club; JA; TCC-P; Thespi- TSC; Marching Band;
Mixed Chorus; Treble Chorus; Variety Show; Semester Honor Roll;
Student Congress Rep.; Musical; Play; Pep Band; Jan. Grad.

Molly Blank: GAA; German Club; TSC-
Pres.; Semester Honor Roll; Student
Congress Rep.; Basketball
Susan Blank: GAA; German Club; JA;
Spanish Club; TSC; Who's Who in H.S.
America
Cheryl Blankers: Co-op; JA; Yearbook
Dauhn M. Blaser: Aquesta; Drama
Club; French Club; GAA; German Club;
TSC; Marching Band; Flag Corps;
Homecoming Court; Student Senator;
Tennis; Volleyball; One Acts; Football
Mgr.; Wrestling Mgr.
Christine Blind: ROCK; Marching Band;
Variety Show; Semester Honor Roll;
Dance Band; Pep Band

Scott Bliss
Rodney Blocker
Tammy Boemecke
Tae Boes
Theresa Boetgen: Jan. Grad.

Kathryn Bohling: French Club; GAA;
Swim Team- Capt.-State Qualifier

Diana Bonney: Jan. Grad.

Daniel Borden: German Club-Vice
Pres.; Gifted and Talented; Who's Who
in H.S. America; Student Congress
Rep.; Softball; Foreign Exchange-Ger-
many; Eyas; Newspaper

Stephanie M. Bowen: JA-Vice Pres.;
Yearbook

Kevin Bracker: JA;; Quill and Scroll;
Semester Honor Roll; National Merit
Scholar; Newspaper-Sports Editor
Bryan Brinkley
George Britcher
Sherry Britt
Ted Brookhart: New Student '83-'86,
Cactus High, Glendale Az. '82-'83;
Football

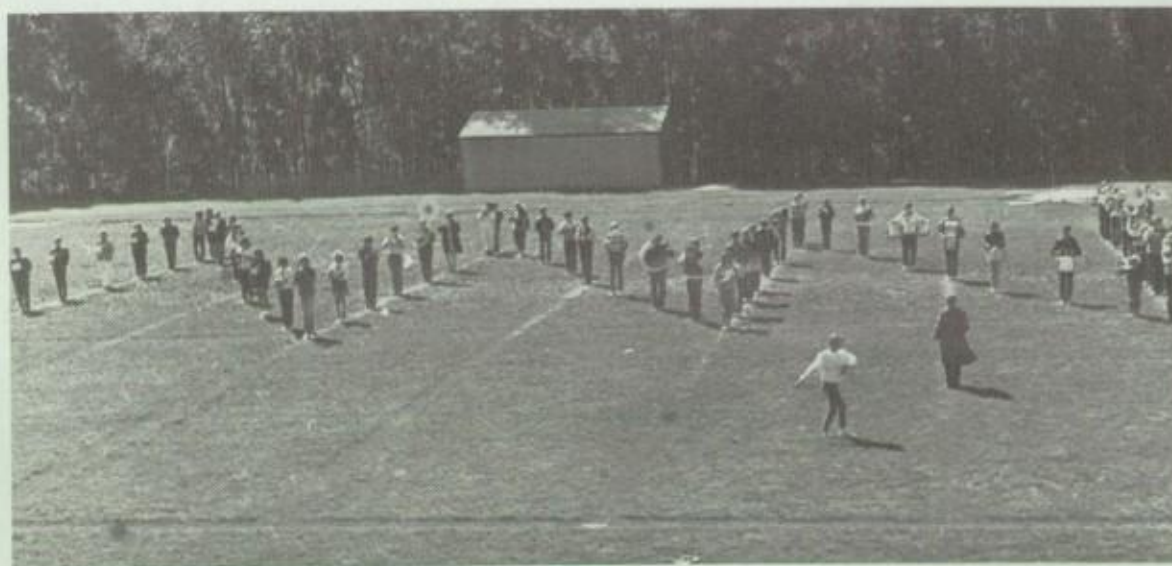


West's Majorettes

We really did not know what to expect when we came to West High every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning the July after our sophomore year. We knew that we wanted to try out for majorettes, but we did not have any idea how much time, planning, organiza-
tion, and frustration were headed our way. In early August, Amy Navarre, Celeste Thomas, and Connie Lawson were selected as the drum majorettes for the West High Marching Band. Of course

we were excited, and began planning our uniforms, what order we would stand in, and so on.

Our big day came the first time the band went outside to practice marching on the parking lot. We had been helping the sophomores for about two weeks while they learned to march. But we had not even considered the thought that people would not listen to us when we tried to help them. Many people gave us a hard time since we were only juniors.



Being in charge of the band means hours and hours of work. (photo by K. Rodriguez)



Toni Brooks: Jan. Grad.; New Student '85-'86, Calamus High, Calamus Ia. '82-'85; Mixed Chorus; Semester Honor Roll; Musical; Young Writers Conference
David Broughton: Co-op
George Brown: Jan. Grad.
Geoffrey Bruns: Semester Honor Roll; Wrestling
Dodd Brus



Nancy M. Brus: Co-op; Semester Honor Roll; Track
Gary Buckles: Co-op; Basketball; Baseball
Naomi Buckley
Nancy Lynn Buerklin: Art Club; All-State Chorus; Mixed Chorus; Jan. Grad.
Carol Buffington



Connie Lawson smiles a majorette's smile.



Shirley Ann Burge: Mixed Chorus; Variety Show; Soccer-player of the week
Jane Burger: DECA; JA; Track
Judy A. Burger: DECA; JA; Semester Honor Roll



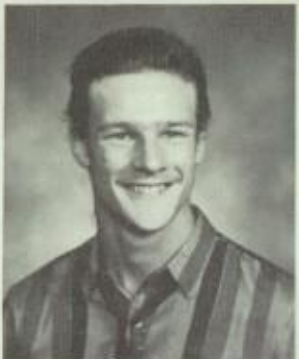
Chris Burton: Weight Club
Terry Burton
Anna M. Calderon: French Club; TSC; Student Congress Rep.; Mobius

But helpful friends came to our rescue and we made it through the year.

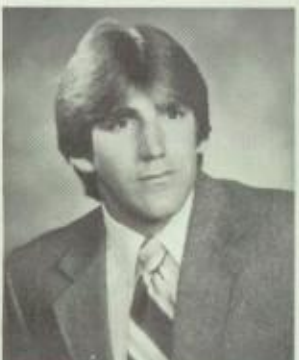
Our senior year was easier. Although Celeste had gone to North High, we were better organized and better prepared. We already had uniforms and we knew what to expect. We expected sore arms, lots of frustrating work, and many two-minute lunches.

There was a certain sense of pride and a thrill when we brought the band onto the football field.

It was definitely a lot of work, but with very rewarding results. (written by C. Lawson)



Scott Campbell
Kevin Carey: ROCK; aCappella; Variety Show; Musical; Eyas; Mobius; Dance Band
Andrea M. Carruthers: GAA; TSC; Semester Honor Roll; Gifted and Talented; Basketball; Volleyball



Jeffery A. Carson: Basketball; Football; Golf; Tennis; Homecoming Escourt
William Carter
Cheryl Castle: GAA; JA; ROCK; Mixed Chorus



Tim Cavanaugh
Dennis Chester
Thad Christiansen: Swim Team-Boy's State
Laurie Cinotto: New Student '84-'86, Assumption High '83-'84
Pamela Claeys: Drama Club; Thespian; aCappella; Treble Chorus; Variety Show; Musical; Play

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"Class, this is so-and-so from... where did you say you're from?"

Imagine spending 2 to 3 long years at a high school knowing teachers, kids, administration and supporting that particular school; then having to move away, transfer schools and start all over again as a junior or a senior. The feeling of being a sophomore (or freshmen in some cases) is so strong it is like déjà vu. It's really demeaning to be searching for your classes, searching for new friends and sitting alone at lunch when you're used to being in control of your H.S. environment.

Trying to get used to less freedom is hard, too. This means no more taking off for lunch or doing your homework on the floor by your locker. You don't know which teachers and administrators will let you get away with things either. In some cases you move from one school to another and then another.

Quite a small minority of seniors are new students at West. But they have all got very

interesting backgrounds. Some are from other area high schools like Central, Assumption and Pleasant Valley. Others come from places like Arizona, Texas, California, Illinois and even Japan. The majority of the new students came from other parts of Iowa though. It's some-

"Everyone said I'd be sitting around the Grayhound bus station watching the corn grow and the pigs doing whatever it is pigs do!! That was what I expected my Saturday nights to be like!"

—Dawn Zastrow

times intriguing to find out why someone would move so late in high school. Among many reasons, one popular one is divorce. Another interesting fact is that nearly all of these students have moved a lot before. Many have moved around in the Quad Cities

even since they transferred here. One of these seniors even commutes 50 miles every other weekend and on holidays between her mother and father.

Very often these students have or have had extreme family or personal problems.

This makes it difficult to concentrate on homework when you're trying to adapt to a whole new way of life. The additional problems going to a new school creates puts a burden on students. Embarrassment, adjustment and leaving friends or a parent behind can cause terrific stress.

Fortunately, the counselors, administration and teachers at West help the hurts of being new. Soon the new faces are melted into the crowds at lunch, part of cheering forces at the Auds. From all the "new" students, a special thank you to all who made us a part of West's life. (written by J. Williams)

Douglas M. Coiner: Baseball; Basketball
Allen Collins
John Kevin Cook: JA; TCC; Semester Honor Roll; IMC Assistance Group; AV Assistance
Bill Cornwell: Football
Brandi A. Cotter: Jan. Grad.; GAA; JA



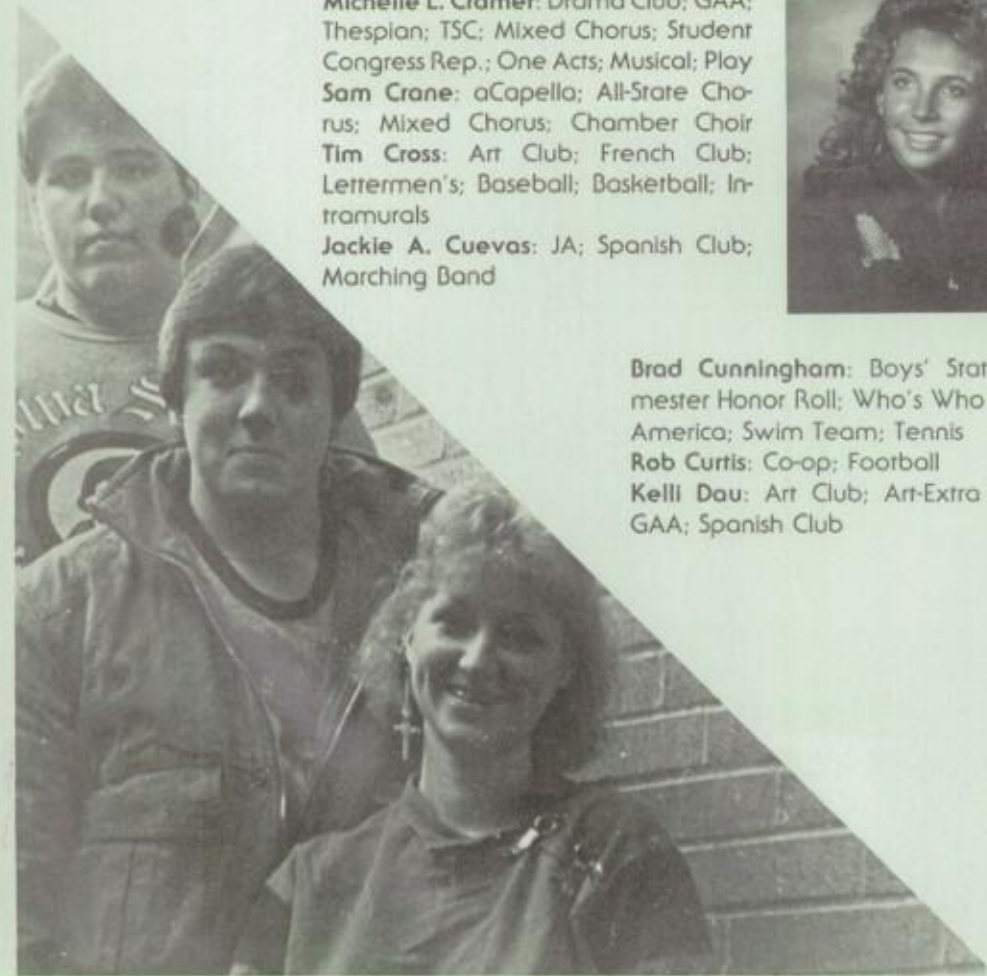
Michelle L. Cramer: Drama Club; GAA; Thespians; TSC; Mixed Chorus; Student Congress Rep.; One Acts; Musical; Play
Sam Crane: aCapella; All-State Chorus; Mixed Chorus; Chamber Choir
Tim Cross: Art Club; French Club; Lettermen's; Baseball; Basketball; Intramurals
Jackie A. Cuevas: JA; Spanish Club; Marching Band



Brad Cunningham: Boys' State; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Swim Team; Tennis
Rob Curtis: Co-op; Football
Kelli Dau: Art Club; Art-Extra Effort; GAA; Spanish Club



Troy Allen Daufeldt
Stacey Davison



Jamie Hoeck, Bob Smice, and June Williams smile through the adjustment period in a new school.



Kim Davis: Eyas; Mobius; Jan. Grad.
 Marlee Davis
 Miela Davis: Art Club; Co-op; GAA
 Burton Davison
 Terry Day



Mike Deblois
 Michelle Deem: Spanish Club; aCapella; Variety Show; Show Choir; Chamber Choir; Catch a Rising Star; Student Congress Rep.; Musical; Newspaper
 Darrin Delaney: French Club
 Sue DeVine: French Club; GAA; TSC; Semester Honor Roll; Student Congress Rep.
 Melissa Ann Devlin: Art Club; Art-Extra Club; French Club; GAA; Marching Band



Dorie Dettmann: aCappella; Orchestra; Treble Chorus; Variety Show; Musical-Sound of Music
 Dana Dietz: Co-op; GAA
 Jeff Dietz: Drama Club; Spanish Club; Thespian; aCapella; Variety Show; Show Choir; Catch a Rising Star; Semester Honor Roll; Mime; One Acts; Musical; Play; National Merit Scholar
 Matt Dobbs: Swim Team
 Matt Dodds



Shane Dodds
 Paul B. Doerfield: Lettermen's; Spanish Club; Basketball; Football
 Connie Doolittle: Jan. Grad.
 Mike Doran: Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Wrestling
 Dawn Danielle Dory: JA



David Downing: Baseball; Football
 Arthur Drexler
 Denise Duffey: Spanish Club
 Diann Duffey: Drama Club; Spanish Club



Daniel Durant: Co-op
 Elizabeth Eaves: aCapella
 Troy L. Edwards



Pamela D. Els: GAA-Points Chairman; Quill and Scroll; Student Congress Rep.; Basketball; Softball; Volleyball; Newspaper-Sports and Features Editor; Yearbook- Sports Editor
 John Eisenbacher: Art Club



Adam Chapa, Dawn Zastrow, and Brad Harkin share the trials of being new at West High.

Cynthia Ellis
Rhonda Jo Ellison: Art Club; GAA; Basketball; Volleyball; Basketball- Mgr.; Student Congress Rep.
Mike J. Elmer: DECA; Cross Country; Football; Track; Newspaper; Photographer; Martial Arts
Carrie Endorf
Elizabeth Eubanks



Richard Eucker: New Student '83-'84; North Ridgeville; OH '82-'83; Football; Soccer
Kris Evans: DECA; French Club; GAA
Wendy Lea Eves: Drama Club; Spanish Club
Terry K. Ewoldt: Co-op
Amy Fennelly



Christine A. Ferguson: Co-op; Semester Hon. Roll
Melissa Ann Fields: Drama Club-Treas.; Thespians; aCapella; V.P.; All State Chorus; Marching Band; Flag Corps; Mixed Choir; Orchestra; Variety Show; Show Choir; Chamber Choir; Semester Hon. Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; One Acts; Musical
Steven Fisk: Drama Club; Thespians; aCapella; All State Chorus; Mixed Choir; Variety Show; Show Choir; Chamber Choir; Catch a Rising Star; One Acts; Musical; Play; Jan. Grad.
Sean Brady Fitzgerald: Lettermen's; Weight Club; Football; Perfect Attendance; Homecoming Escort



Timothy S. Flatman: JA
Andrew Keane Fleming: Eyas; Mobius
Bridget A. Foley: GAA-Pres.; Quill and Scroll; Spanish Club-Officer; Marching Band; Homecoming Court; Sr. Class Off.; Student Senator
Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.; Basketball; Cross Country; Golf; Newspaper-Asst. Sports Ed.; Sports Ed.; Editorials Ed.; Freddie Falcon
James L. Foster



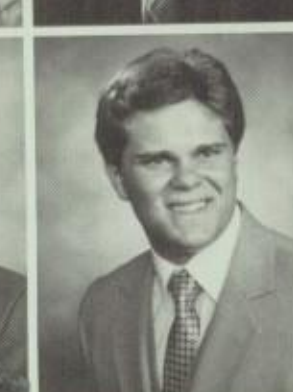
Stephen Fowler: aCappella; Jan. Grad.
James Fox: Co-op
Julian Gutierrez: French Club; Lettermen's Club; Martial Arts; Male Cheerleader; Boys' State; Student Senator; Who's Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.; Football
John France: Jan. Grad.



Julie Franklin
Mark Freedman: Semester Honor Roll
Todd Frerichs: Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Golf
Brian Fritz: JA; Ski Club
Brian Gall



Alton Gambleton: Drama Club; Spanish Club; Mixed Choir; Soccer; Play; Upward Bound
Gary Gant: ROCK; Weight Club; Football
Douglas Lee Geiger: Drama Club; Thespians; Variety Show; Catch a Rising Star; Football; Mime; One Acts Musical; Play
Mike Gillespie
Gretchen Gilbert: Co-op





Deanna Gibson: Jan. Grad.
Robert Glasgow: French Club; German Club; Spanish Club; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America
Penny Godfrey
Mathew C. Gogulich: Art Club; Catch a Rising Star
Darlita Gomez

John Graham: Weight Club; Student Congress Rep.; Football
Becky Greenwalt: Drama Club-Pres.; NFL; TCC; Thespians; aCapella; Treble Chorus; Variety Show; Catch a Rising Star; Semester Honor Roll; Debate; Speech Events; Mime; One Acts; Musical; Play
Lynn Griffin: New Student, '85-'86; Central Catholic High; Lafayette, IA.; '82-'84; J.H.; Ski Club; Spanish Club; Writer's Club; Student Cong. Rep.; Intramurals; Softball; Yearbook
Pamela D. Griffin: GAA; Spanish Club; March. Band; Flag Corps; Orchestra; Variety Show; Sem. Honor Roll; Track; Musical; State Solo & Ensemble Contest
Lori Anne Gripp: GAA; Mixed Choir; Treble Choir; Variety Show

Melissa Groenwalt: New Student; '84-'86; Eisenhower High; Houston, TX.; '83-'84; French Club; Basketball; Intramurals; Varsity Club

James Groth

Christina L. Gruenhagen: Drama Club; NFL Treasurer; Marching Band; Flag Corps Captain; Variety Show, Girls' State, Sem. Honor Roll, Gifted & Talented, Who's Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.; Debate; Speech Events; Musical; Yearbook; Young Republicans; State Solo And Ensemble Contest

Catherine L. Guske: German Club-President; ROCK; Marching Band; Girls' State; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Track; Yearbook-Academics Co-Editor and Head Computer Programmer

Reed Hagen

Jeffery Hainline

Susan Hall: New Student, '84-'86; Assumption '82-'84, Davenport, Iowa; Jan. Grad.

Kristin Hanson: French Club; GAA; TSC; Marching Band; Orchestra; Who's Who in H.S. America; Distance Running; Soccer; Track

Brad S. Harken: New Student, '85-'86, Blue Springs Senior High '83-'85, Kansas City, MO.

Aimee Harrington: French Club; Gymnastics

Jodi Harrington: Drama Club; GAA; JA; Spanish Club; Thespians; Sem. Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.; Musical; Pom-Poms

Jody Harris: Softball; Swim Team

Kara Harris

Mary Harris

Matthew Harrison

Elizabeth M. Harvey: DECA; Jan. Grad.

Alyssa Hawley: DECA

Rick Hayes: Student Congress Rep.

Sabrina Hayes

John Hazelett: Spanish Club; Who's Who in America

Dave Hebel

Kris Heilmann: Cross Country; Swim Team; Track

Kurt Helfter: Drama Club; Thespian; aCappella; Marching Band; Mixed Chorus; Variety Show; Show Choir; Catch a Rising Star; Boys' State; Swim Team; One Acts; Musical; Play; Triathlon; Biking; Olympic Bicycling Assistant

Jeff A. Hennes

Matt Henschen: Marching Band

Frank Hensler: Baseball

Michael Lee Hermiston: French Club; Ski Club; Swim Team; Eys

Heather Jeanne Hernandez: GAA; Spanish Club; Track

Tom Hernandez: Lettermen's Club; Spanish Club; Weight Club; Student Senator; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Football

Adam Herrig: Baseball; Basketball; Football

Joline K. Heskett: Jan. Grad.; Co-op; Swim Team

Steve Heskett: Art Club; JA

Tellina Ann Hill: DECA



Chris Hillard



Debra Hobart: GAA; Spanish Club; TSC



Jane Hostel

Jamie Hoeck: New Student '85-'86
Central High '83-'85; Art Club

Deborah Lyn Hoepner: French Club; German Club-Officer; Quill and Scroll; ROCK; TSC; Writers' Club; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.; Eys-Editor; Mobius; Newspaper-Editor-in-Chief; Features Editor; Asst. Features Editor; Photographer; Yearbook; Perfect Attendance; West-Central Evaluator; Foreign Exchange Student-France

Shannon Holland: Who's Who in H.S. America; Tennis; Yearbook

Krista Holmer: Spanish Club; aCappella; Marching Band; Dance Band; Mixed Chorus; Variety Show; Chamber Choir; Musical; Eys

Corinne Lynn Holkamp: Drama Club; NFL-Debate; Speech Events; Gymnastics; Newspaper

Bryan Hoon

Laura Horn: French Club; GAA; Marching Band; Semester Honor Roll; Gifted and Talented; Who's Who in H.S. America

Russ Hudson: Swim Team



DEAR ...

We seniors received supposedly personal letters sent to us by various universities across the country telling us that their college was the right one for us. Being a senior not only meant choosing a college, but also sorting through the temptations and trash that were constantly placed in our mailboxes.

It started on the tail-end of the junior year, a couple of letters and a few pamphlets every few days. The mail kept coming and coming, forcing us to unclutter our minds and to start thinking about where we would like to spend our money and time being molded academically.

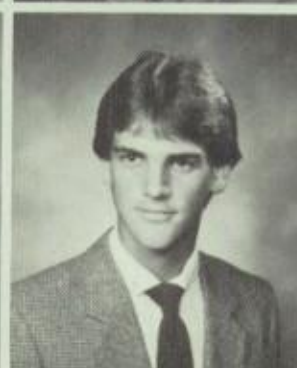
Then we had to consider whether the school of our choice was in a warm climate. If so, was it by the ocean? Was it close to home? If not, would I have to get a job?



Senior Dawn Zastrow sorts through college information in the guidance office. (photo by K. Redeker)



Kevin Hufford: Homecoming Escort
Ralph Hughes: Weight Club; Football; Wrestling
Tammy Hurt: Co-op; JA; Spanish Club; TSC; Semester Honor Roll; Gifted and Talented; Student Congress Rep.
Jim Hutcheson: JA
Phil Iverson: ROCK-V.P.; Student Senator; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Football



David Janecek: German Club; Letterman's Club; Weight Club; Boys' State; Semester Honor Roll; Student Congress Rep.; Football; Girls' Basketball-Video Technician
Jeff Janke: German Club; Marching Band
Eric Jansen: New Student; '84-'86; Assumption High '82-'84; Spanish Club; Weight Club; Who's Who in H.S. America; Photographer; Yearbook
Brian Jennings: Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Track
Kim Johnson: Mixed Choir



Did it have a good football team? If not, what was the male/female ratio? If near the mountains, was it near a ski lodge? A few of us even considered college academically: did it have the major we were interested in? If not, did it have minors or independent majors? Then we began tossing mail in our brochure-filled box without even bothering to open it.

The scavengers ventured beyond the mail; we started getting long distance phone calls from some obscure little college on the edge of the Twilight Zone.

Hopefully we would be enrolled in our top choice school in the fall of 1986.

Every collegebound senior played the college preparations game and most survived all of the hassle! So beware, juniors, you will surely be buried in the onslaught of mail that awaits you. (written by J. Williams)



Diana Jones: Jan. Grad.



Ellen L. Jones: German Club; aCappella; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Eyas



Gene Thomas Jones: Football



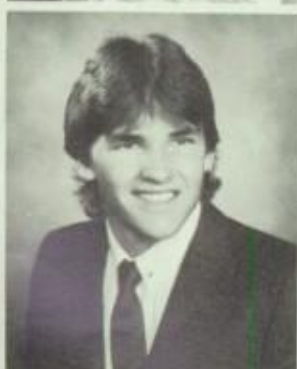
Mindy Kay Jones: Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Track-Manager

Tina Jones:
Brenda Marie Jordahl: GAA; NFL; Homecoming Court; Student Congress Rep.; Volleyball

Sherry Jump:
Colleen Marie Kavanaugh: Aquesta; French Club; GAA; TSC; Semester Honor Roll; Student Congress Rep.; Swim Team; Synchronized Swimming

Rodney Keding:
Jonathan Ray Keeney: Lettermen's Club; Ski Club; Weight Club; Student Senator; Who's Who in H.S. America; Football

Deena Renae Kelding: Co-op; GAA; JA; Homeroom Rep.
Gary Kendall: Jan. Grad.
Paula Kendall



Silver Sulkies

"I have been training horses for the past four years. Ever since I was very little I have loved horses. Mother told me my first word was 'hor-sey.'"

"I really enjoy being with horses. They calm me down. Whenever I have a problem I go to the fairgrounds to be with them. Then I forget all my problems."

"Even though I have never lived in the country, I still have country in me. All my life I have wanted to live in the country, but my mother and father never wanted to..."

"I hope my newest filly turns out as good as I plan. She has all the blood lines to be one of the best."

"I love to sit behind the horse. To me it's one of the best things to do in the world. If I could, I would sit in that sulky for the rest of my life."

"Now I'm getting the training I need to be a harness trainer. I'm hoping to have enough training to at least be a stall mate. That's one who takes care of the horses—feeds them, cleans, washes, and gets them ready to jog or race."

"I would love to become a horse trainer right out of high school, but I know I don't know half of the things I should. I'm going to keep at it until I do learn. One of these days I hope to be the first real famous woman harness trainer. I also hope to have my own farm and track to train horses—mine and other people's as well." (written by S. Shadden)

Thomas Kendall
Michelle Kennedy

Robert Kent
Kimberly Kimes: Jan. Grad.

Joy Lynn Kirkpatrick
Dan Kitsis

Marcia L. Klindt: GAA; Marching Band;
Variety Show; Semester Honor Roll;
Gifted and Talented; Student Congress
Rep.; Basketball; Track; Volleyball

Susan Koepke



Shawn Shadden, '86, exercises a trotter after a busy day at school—not the typical after school job.

Korry Kraft

Gina L. Krambeck: French Club; Semester Honor Roll; Eyas-Editor; Newspaper; Yearbook
Charlotte M. Kramer: Co-op; ROCK; Newspaper; Photographer; Yearbook - Junior Class Editor '84-'85
Jeff T. Krus: Weight Club
Dawn R. Kuter: Drama Club

Tina Kuker: Jan. Grad.; Drama Club; French Club; TCC; Thesplan; Semester Honor Roll-Academic Excellence; S.T.A.R.S. Award

James Kupitz: JA; Semester Honor Roll; Gifted and Talented; Who's Who in H.S. America

Carsten LaBalle: JA; Marching Band; Semester Honor Roll

Kim LaBonne: Jan. Grad.
Roland Lamantia





James LaMar
Ronnie Dean LaMar
Julie A. Lambert: GAA - Programs Chairperson; Ski Club; TSC; Homecoming Court; Student Senator; Semester Honor Roll; Student Congress Rep.; Basketball; Softball; Cheerleader



Colette Lancaster: JA; Mixed Chorus
Colleen Lancaster: JA; Mixed Chorus
Dawn B. Lange: GAA; Spanish Club; Homecoming Court; Senior Class Officer - Treasurer; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in America; Student Congress Rep.; Basketball; Softball; Volleyball - Co-captain

Jeff Larson
Barb Lavarencz: DECA; Softball; Track
Constance A. Lawson: Drama Club; French Club; Thesplan; aCappella-Pres.; All State-Band; Marching Band; Majorette; Pep Band; Mixed Chorus; Orchestra; Variety Show; Show Choir; Chamber Choir; Catch a Rising Star; Homecoming Court; Semester Honor Roll; Academic Excellence; Who's Who in H.S. America; Musical; Eyas; Mobius



Robert R. Lee: JA; Golf; Debate; Speech Events

Heather Lelonek: GAA; Girls' State; Swim Team

Grant Lemen: Who's Who in H.S. America; Swim Team

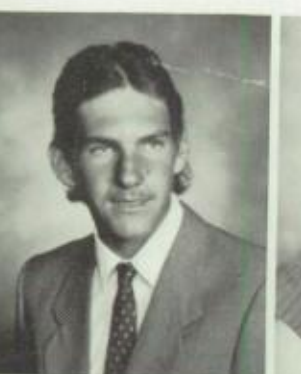


Aaron Lenaghan: New Student '84-'86; Assumption High '83-'84; Cross Country; Wrestling; Male Cheerleader
Andrea Lenaghan: Aquesta; GAA; Spanish Club; Who's Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.; Synchronized Swimming; Pom-Poms



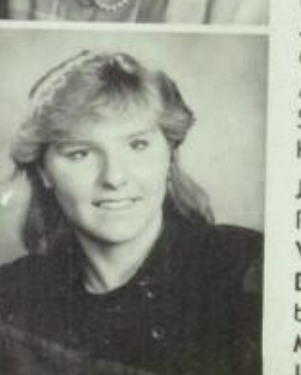
Christine L. Liberio: JA
Jeffery Lohf: Co-op

Shawn Shadden smiles as she is caught in a daydream about her favorite subject — horses.



Julie Loken: GAA; TSC; Homecoming Court; Student Senator; Student Senate Treasurer; Basketball-Captain-3 Year Varsity Letter Winner; Intramurals; Softball; Track; Volleyball
Eric Long: Student Congress Rep.; Baseball; Basketball
Lorrie Loose: Art Club; Art Extra Effort; ROCK; Orchestra; Variety Show; Who's Who in H.S. America; Eyas; Mobius

Kerl Lynn Loter: GAA
Julie Lowder: Drama Club; German Club; Thesplan; aCappella-Secretary; All State-Chorus; Orchestra; Variety Show; Chamber Choir; Semester Honor Roll; Soccer; Musical



Joel Lund: Co-op; Student Congress Rep.; Tennis; Wrestling

Valerie Lund
Brian Mallette: Lettermen's Club; Softball

Melissa K. Laker: Cheerleader
Jodi L. Mann: New Student '85-'86; Central High '83-'85; German Club



Pamela Rae Montgomery: Aquesta; French Club; GAA - Historian; Synchronized Swimming; Cheerleader; Homecoming Court; Semester Honor Roll - Academic Excellence; Student Congress Rep.; Student Senator - V.P.; Bowling; DAR Good Citizen

Brian J. Moore: French Club; Softball; Semester Club

Gary Moore

Pamela A. Moorhead: Drama Club; ROCK - Secretary; Musical; Orchestra; Variety Show; Semester Honor Roll; Eyas

Anita Moorman: Swim Team; Mixed Chorus; Orchestra

Tonya L. Morley

Patricia Morris

Troy Mullenberg: Lettermen's; Student Senator; Semester Honor Roll; Student Congress Rep.; Baseball; Basketball; Football

Michelle R. Mullins: Art Club; Ski Club; GAA; Distance Running; Soccer

Brian Mumm: Art Club; Ski Club; Student Congress Rep.; Football; Track

Pamela Nash: Jan. Grad.; GAA; Spanish Club; Semester Honor Roll - Academic Excellence

Amy E. Navarre: Aquesta; GAA; Marching Band; Brass Choir; Flag Corps; Majorette; Orchestra; Variety Show; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.; Swim Team; Synchronized Swimming; Boys' Swim Team - Mgr.

Dale Nelson: Swim Team

Tracy L. Nichols: GAA; JA

John Norton: January Grad.

Roxi Nunn: New Student '84-'86; Roosevelt High, Des Moines, Ia.; '83-'84; Drama Club; Spanish Club; Mixed Chorus; Gifted and Talented; Track

Deborah Nyquist

Kurt Ockelmann: aCapella; Marching Band; Orchestra; Variety Show; Chamber Choir; Semester Honor Roll; Golf

Jodee L. Ogden: French Club; GAA; TSC; Softball

Matthew Oles

Metta Marie Orr

Joni M. Osborn: GAA; Marching Band; Softball; Vocational-Printing

William E. Paarmann: German Club; All-State Band; Marching Band; Orchestra; Variety Show; Semester Honor Roll; Merit Scholar; Dance Band; Brass Choir; Pep Band

Tracy Lynn Padovich: French Club; Baseball

Seniors 1986

Made in the U.S.A.

A few students decided on career choices as early as their sophomore year. Since various branches of the armed forces allowed sixteen-year-olds to begin their training early, several West High students have been in uniform during the summer between their junior and senior years.

The choice of which branch to enter was determined by several factors. Sometimes the branch of the service that was chosen was done because it was a family tradition. John Cook, '86, who will be serving in the Marines as a personnel clerk, said: "My family was in the Marines and I wanted to be one of the few, the proud—a Marine!"

Dave Torkelson, '86, left in February to be in the Marines also, and will be serving as a member of the military police. John France, '86, and Brian Mumm, '86, chose the Navy. Brian said, "I was bored, needed to get out of this area and really needed to get a good tan." Brian's dream came true with orders for a two year tour in Hawaii where he will be assigned the duties of a barber. Brian Lane, '86, and Steve Wulf, '86, agreed: "We both wanted to serve our country and protect its interests." (written by J. Williams)

Troy Padavich: Vocational
John Parker: French Club; Lettermen's; Cross Country; Track

Michelle Calvin Parker: Drama Club; JA; NFL; ROCK; TCC; TSC; Writers' Club; aCapella; Treble Choir; Student Congress Rep.; Speech Events; Musical; Play-Costume; Yearbook-Computer Editor, Index Editor
Suzanne Patch

Ranae S. Paulsen: Jan. Grad.; DECA
Jeffrey L. Paustian: Marching Band; Dance Band; Pep Band; Variety Show; Boys' State; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America

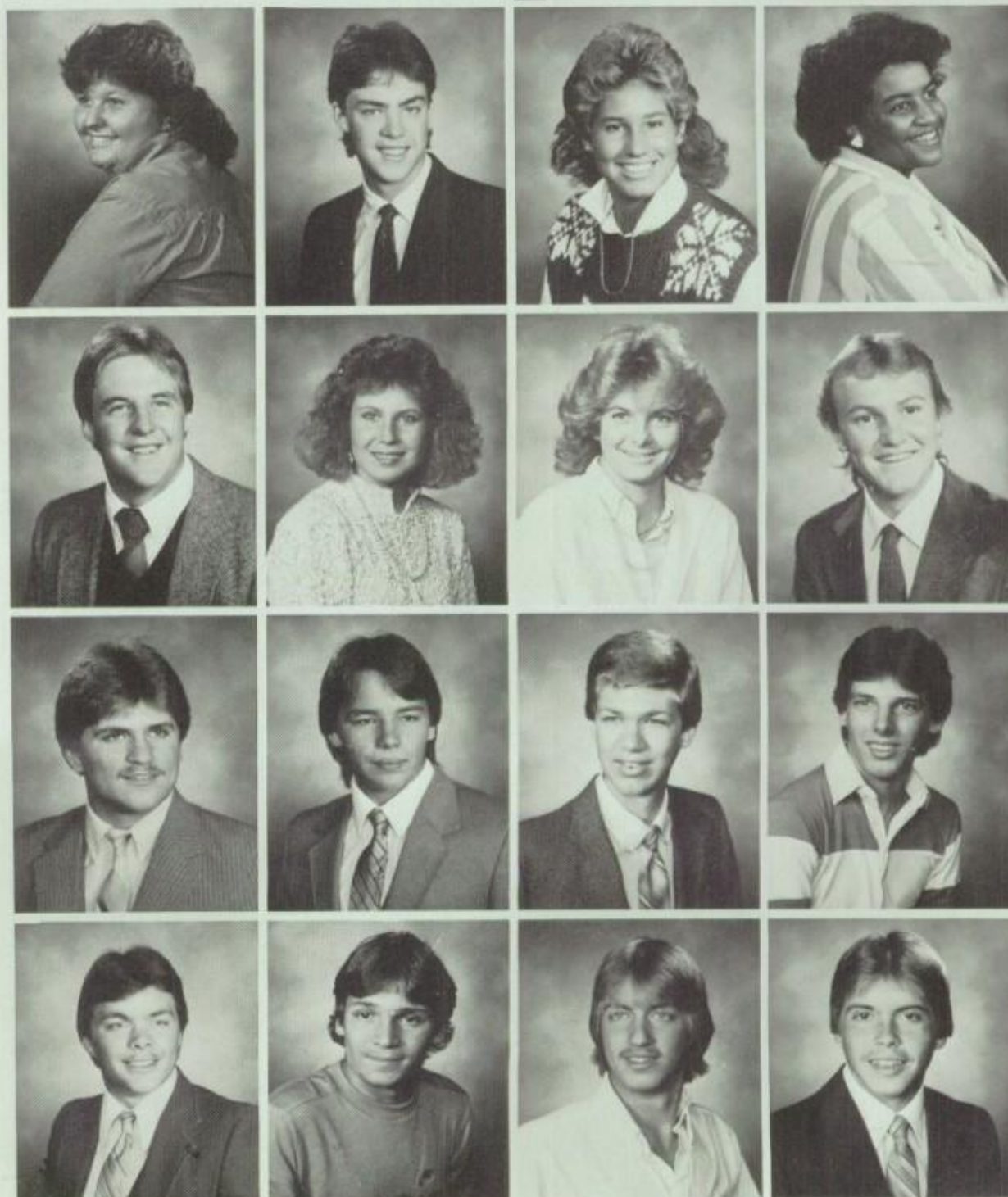


Tammy Payton
Kevin Michael Pence: Swim Team
Janan M. Peterson: Aquesta; GAA; Spanish Club; Marching Band; Student Congress Rep.; Tennis
Kimberly Peterson: January Grad.; Drama Club; GAA; Spanish Club; Who's Who in H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.

Tim Peterson
Tiffany Phillips: GAA; Marching Band; Mixed Chorus; Variety Show; Orchestra; Semester Honor Roll; Track; Musical
Cheryl Pierce: New Student '84-'86; Jefferson Sr. High, Cedar Rapids, Ia. '82-'84; Semester Honor Roll
David Pierce

Mark Plambeck: Football
Darrin Plett: Wrestling
Mike Alan Porter: Semester Honor Roll; Basketball; Bowling
Billy Prunchak: JA

Chuck Quinn: Co-op; Drama Club; Ski Club; Football; Soccer; Swim Team
Robert Quinones
Royce Radetzki
Jerry Rolfs: Who's Who in H.S. America; Softball





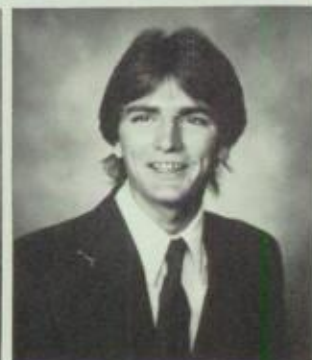
Michele Ralfs: GAA; Mixed Chorus; Basketball; Volleyball
Tamara R. Randolph: DECA; Writers' Club; Mixed Chorus; Semester Honor Roll; Eyas; Newspaper



Maey Ray: Co-op; JA; Marching Band; Semester Honor Roll
Tom Reagan



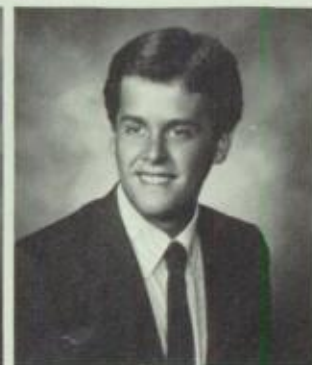
Brian Mumm, '86, Steve Wulf, '86, Brian Lane, '87, and John Cook, '86, decide that the service is for them. (photo by K. Redeker)



Karel C. Redeker
Heath Reed
Debbie Rejman
Rick Rhodes



Jennifer Rice: French Club; Marching Band; Orchestra; Semester Honor Roll; Track
Jennifer J. Richardson
Lisa Ricketts
Carol J.A. Riepe: Co-op; Spanish Club; Who's Who in H.S. America



Nora Riggs: Mixed Chorus
Gregory B. Rios: JA; Lettermen's; Semester Honor Roll; Gifted and Talented; Who's Who in H.S. America; Basketball; Golf
Michelle Rene' Rissler: Aquesta; Spanish Club; Mixed Chorus; Synchronized Swimming; Newspaper; Pom-Poms
Kerry C. Rodriguez: Co-op; JA; Student Congress Rep.; Intramurals; Wrestling; Newspaper; Photographer; Yearbook



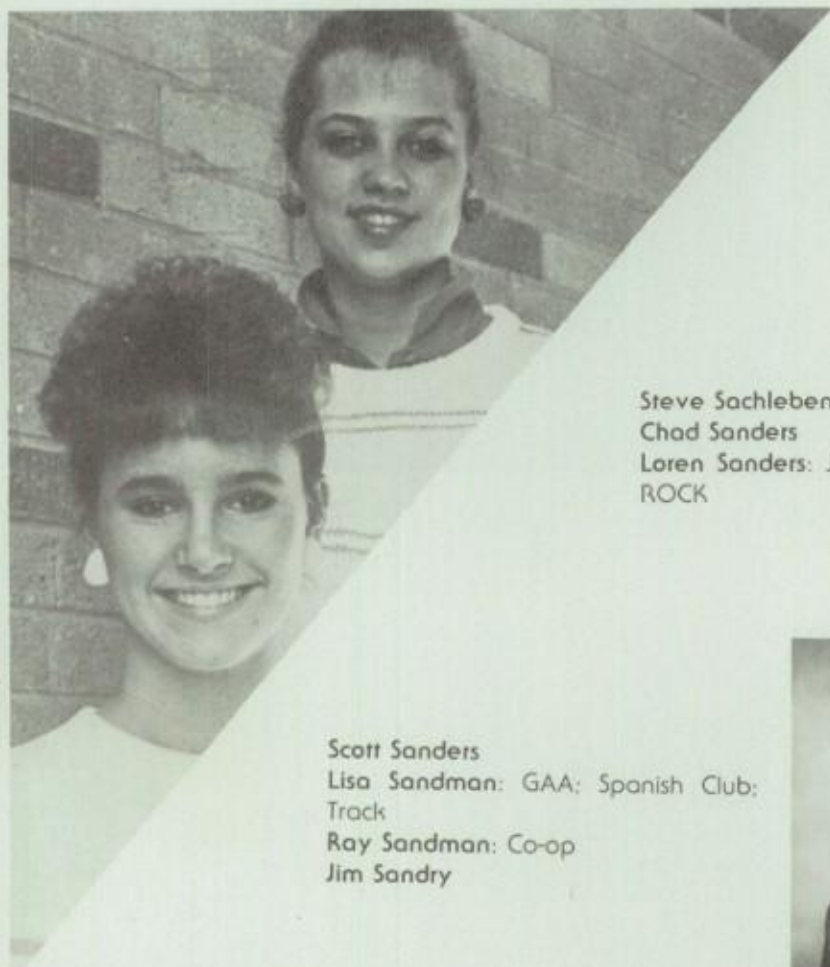
Antonio Rodriguez Jr.: Student Senator
Brent Rohrer: Art Club
Michael Rodewski
Stephanie R. Rogers: Co-op; DECA; Marching Band; Mixed Chorus; Variety Show; Play



Tammy Roseman: French Club; GAA; German Club; JA; Spanish Club-Pres.; Gifted and Talented; Student Congress Rep.; Swim Team; Yearbook
Amy Christine Ruddell: Jan. Grad.; Co-op; DECA; Newspaper
Betty Jo Anne Ruebbelke: Art Club; Spanish Club - Officer; TSC; Gifted and Talented; Who's Who in H.S. America
Beth L. Ruwe: Co-op; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America



Stina Sunstedt, Secretary, and Julie Loken, Treasurer, help with planning spring activities. (photo by D. Kunkle)



Bobby R. Ryan
Mark J. Sachleben: Football; Art Club



Steve Sachleben: Co-op
Chad Sanders
Loren Sanders: Jan. Grad.; Art Club;
ROCK



Scott Sanders
Lisa Sandman: GAA; Spanish Club;
Track
Ray Sandman: Co-op
Jim Sandry



Senate Officers

The 1985 school year was coming to a close, and once again it was time to elect the '85-'86 Student Senate Officers. Everyone waited in anticipation as the ballots were being counted, and a round of applause was awarded to four senior ladies. The elected officers were: President - **Jenell Arnold**, Vice President - **Pamela Montgomery**, Secretary - **Stina Sundstedt**, and Treasurer - **Julie Loken**. The Student Senate officers duties involved running Senate and House of Representative meetings, and planning activities such as: pep auds, Homecoming, and Charity Week. "Everyone works well together, and I am proud to plan and participate in school events," commented **Jenell Arnold**. The Student Senate Officers have done a tremendous job this past year, and they are commended for their enthusiasm and leadership that they have displayed throughout the '85-'86 school year. (written by D. Zastrow)

Kevin Sartain
Heidi J. Schaeffer: German Club;
Semester Honor Roll; Eyas
Chris Scharer



Lynn Schick
Denise Schinkel: Co-op; GAA; Who's
Who in H.S. America; Student Congress
Rep.; Track
Paul Schliekelman: High School Bowl;
Weight Club; Marching Band; Semes-
ter Honor Roll; Gifted and Talented;
Cross Country; Track; Wrestling;
Mobius



Allen Schmeil
Jodi L. Schmidt
Laura Schmidt



Sheryl Schmidt: Co-op; JA; Spanish
Club
Karla Schneider: New Student '84-'86;
Assumption High, Dav., Ia. '82-'84;
Drama Club; GAA; Thespian; aCapel-
la; All-State Chorus; Variety Show;
Show Choir; Catch a Rising Star;
Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in
H.S. America; Student Congress Rep.;
Musical; Play; Pom-Pon Squad
Scott Schnawber: Swim Team



Janel Arnold, President, and Pam Montgomery, Vice President, plan early for the first reunion of the Class of 1986. (photo by D. Kunkle)

Becy Schneden
Kelly Schoo: GAA; Marching Band;
Basketball; Swim Team

Jerry Sedden
Shawn A. Shadden
David Shaffer

Christopher E. Sheese: JA; Soccer
Tim Shie: Semester Honor Roll;
Basketball
Lisa M. Shinnors: GAA; Spanish Club;
Semester Honor Roll
Brian Shipley: January Grad.

Troy Shuttars
James Siefers
Stephanie Sierra: Drama Club; GAA;
JA; Martial Arts; ROCK; TCC; TSC; Track;
Musical; Marching Band; Trainer;
Student Congress Rep.
Dawn Sievertsen: January Grad.;
Drama Club; German Club; Spanish
Club-Pres. and Mgr.; TSC; One Acts
Vond Siv: Soccer

Lori Small: Art Club; Drama Club;
Marching Band
Robert Smice
J. Scott Smith
Nathan R. Smith: Swim Team; Quill
and Scroll; Semester Honor Roll; Eyas-
Editor; Newspaper-Editor
Tamara M. Smith: January Grad.

Karl Snell: Spanish Club; Semester
Honor Roll
Jeff Snyder: JA; Lettermen's; Ski Club;
Baseball; Basketball; Who's Who in
H.S. America
Nancy Spillers: French Club; Musical;
Orchestra; Variety Show; Gifted and
Talented
Jennifer M. Spoon: Art Club; German
Club; JA; Spanish Club; Student
Congress Alternate; Mobius
Brent Sprague
Mary Springer
Kenneth Stafford
Kevin Stalber: Co-op
Laura Stranger: GAA; Tennis
Chris Steil: GAA

Pamela Stender
 Carey Steirwalt
 Christine Stock
 Shelley Stock
 Kimberly Stoffers: GAA; Marching Band; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America



Sherry Straw
 Srina Sunstedt: GAA; Spanish Club; Marching Band; Orchestra; Variety Show; Homecoming Court; Student Senator-Secretary; Track; Volleyball
 Catherine Swanson: January Grad.
 Steven A. Swanson: Wrestling
 Cindy Swearinger



Dawn Symmonds: Co-op; Semester Honor Roll
 Angela Lynn Tague: Co-op; GAA
 Scot Talbert: Marching Band; Variety Show
 Mark W. Tanner: Wrestling
 Laura Teem: Art Club; GAA; Semester Honor Roll; Eyas; Mobius



Jeffrey Teshak: January Grad.
 Pamela Thiessen: GAA; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America
 Roeun Thom
 Renee Hope Thorman: Spanish Club; One Acts; Musical; Jan. Grad.
 David Torkelson: JA; January Grad.



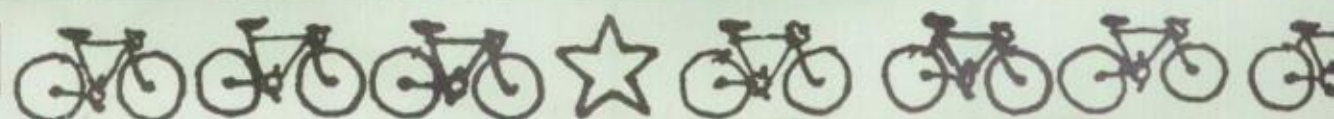
Long Tran: Art Club; Co-op
 Jay T. Troxell: Football
 Matthew J. Truitt: Catch a Rising Star; Senior Class Officer-Pres.; Gifted and Talented; Softball; Charity Pet; Jr. Rotarian Member of The Month
 Teresa Twokey
 Pamela R. Uhrich: Aquesta; GAA; aCapella; Marching Band; Mixed Chorus; Orchestra; Treble Choir; Variety Show; Semester Honor Roll; Soccer; Swim Team; Synchronized Swimming



Kerri Unfeldt
 Brenda Lee Untiedt: Drama Club; JA; aCapella; All State-Chorus; Marching Band; Mixed Chorus; Treble Chior; Variety Show; Musical
 Robert Untiedt
 Lynne Vallem
 Tara Van Blaricome



Kurt Van Nice: Semester Honor Roll
 John A. Vasquez
 Chad J. Voelkers: JA - Vice Pres. of Finance; Spanish Club; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Newspaper
 Charles Vollemer
 Michelle Marie Wagner: French Club; Spanish Club-Mgr.; Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Track; Eyas; Mobius



Setting Sights on World Class Goals

Have you ever gotten bored with a hobby and put it aside to go on to something else? At the age of fifteen, I did just that. I've always had a passion for endurance sports, but after a few years of pounding the pavement with my feet, I needed something different. Something more fulfilling. I took up bike racing and now, about two years later, I'm attending the Olympic Training Center. At first, I only biked for fun; in the last year or so, however, I've gotten serious about racing bicycles. A man named Mel Bradley saw me biking one day and liked the way I rode, so he volunteered to become my coach. Mel Bradley, however, is not an ordinary run-of-the-mill person; in his career he's coached eleven national champions. Needless to say, I feel incredibly lucky and very grateful. Another of my major assets is Jeff Bradley, a 1979 West graduate and Mel's son. Jeff is one of the world's leading professional racers. I train with him and gain a lot from all his experiences.

For all racers, their strongest asset is enthusiastic parental support. Even if the racer

buys his first bike with money he made mowing lawns, someone has to get him to his first race. Somebody has to cook an oversized helping of vegetables and an extra baked potato for him everyday so he gets his nourishment. And the expenses are enormous. It takes an estimated \$10,000 for a rider to race nationally and competitively for one year. Even the hardest of lawn mowers can't make \$10,000 and train everyday!

With Mel and Jeff's help and my parents' support, I won the State Time Trial Championships in June. This is my biggest accomplishment thus far. My goal for the 1986 season is to make the World Championship Team. That would be great!

This year I've decided to graduate in January. I decided this because from now on I'll have to train about six hours a day so I'll have myself in prime condition when the season begins in April.

Although it's a big part of my life, I'm not really sure why I race. I think it's the challenge of speed, bike handling, and the danger that bicycle racing offers. Maybe I'm addicted! I tell

myself everyday that I'm stupid for being in this sport. Every time I finish a time trial, I sit there on my bike, doing my best to gasp for air and hold back the screaming pain, and at the same time asking myself, "Why do you do this?! It's not worth it, why don't you do something worthwhile with your life, Steve?" Still, I fall off my bike and set the goal of going even faster next time.

My favorite race is the "Milwaukee Sentinel Cycling Classic." It's a ten day stage race consisting of a different race each day. It's exhausting. Competitors just race and sleep for ten days. It's very intense and a lot of fun.

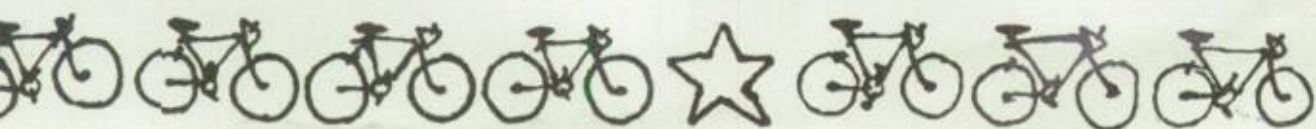
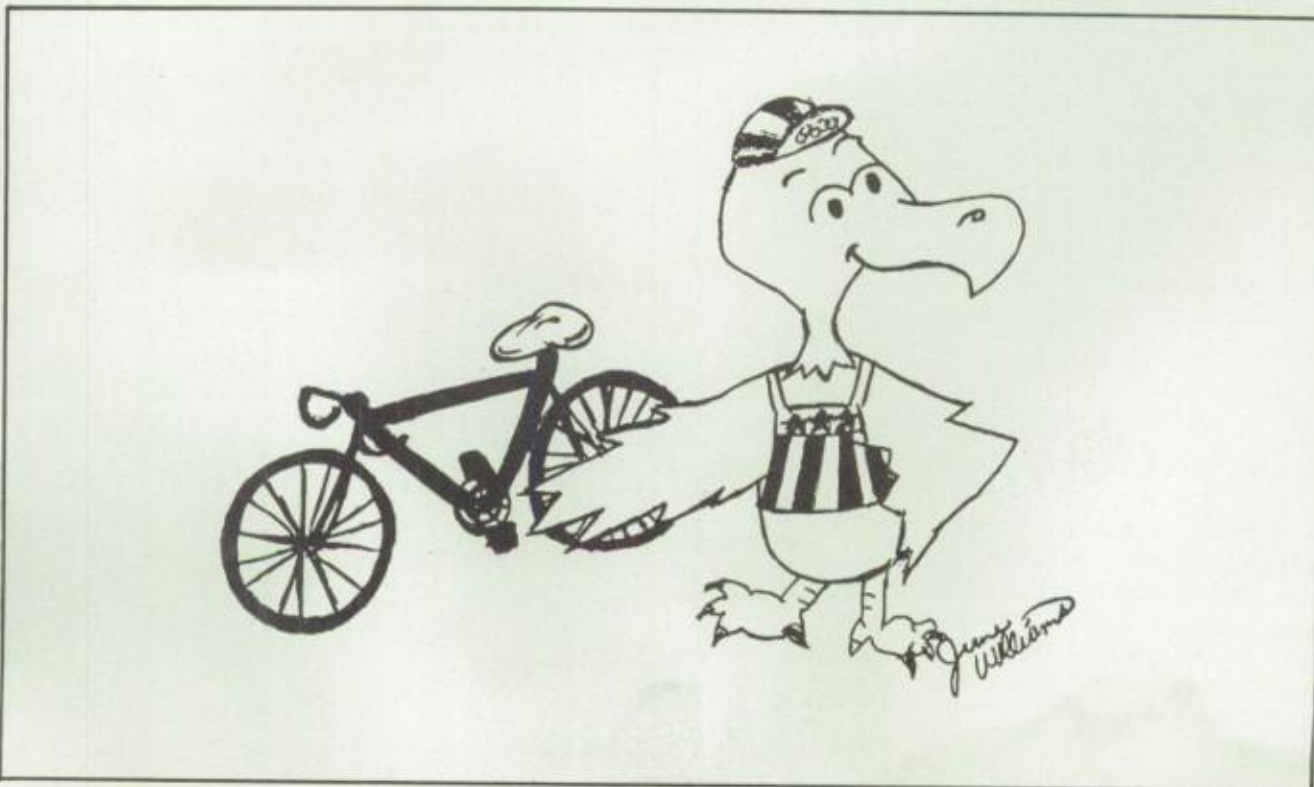
My future goals include the Olympics, of course, and I hope to eventually turn pro and race half in America and half in Europe. Bike racing in Europe is bigger than football or baseball is in the U.S. Europe's top racer, Greg LeMond, is presently an American. Other Americans are making a very strong movement to become influential in Europe and I really want to be a part of that movement. (written by S. Fisk and B. Manock)



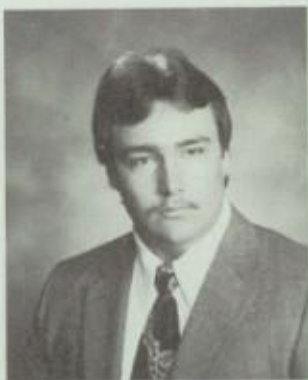
Steve Fisk: "a boy and his bike." (photo by B. Manock)



Going all the way to the top is Steve's major goal. (photo by B. Manock)



William L. Walland: Baseball; Football
Michael Waite
David Walker : JA
Jacquiline Wall
Laura Wallace



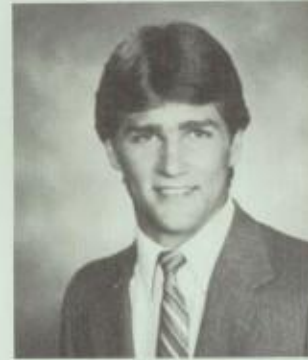
Kimberly Ann Wallick: French Club;
Homecoming Court; Volleyball; GAA-
Secretary and Treasurer; Cheerleading



Mary Beth Walters: Drama Club;
Spanish Club; GAA; Thesplan;
Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in
H.S. America; One Acts; Musical; Play;
Pom Poms



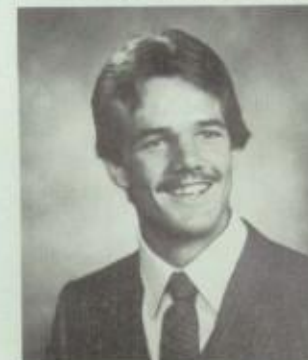
Mike Wardlow: Baseball; Football;
Wrestling



Randy James Warren: Ski Club; Male
Cheerleader



Keven Warlick: Ski Club
Kyle Waterman
Robert Watters
Lori Ellen Wayson: Rock; Mixed
Chorus; Eyas; Mobius
Scott Webster: JA; Football; Wrestling



Steven Weintraut: Semester Honor
Roll; Who's Who in H.S. America; Eyas
Mike Weisrock: Baseball; Football
Rynda Welchman
Arlene Wellendorf: Drama Club;
French Club; TCC-Co Pres.; Thesplan;
Vareity Show; Catch a Rising Star;
Semester Honor Roll; One Acts;
Musical; Play; Newspaper
Jerry Wells



Senior Class Officers: Matt Truitt, President; Bridger Foley, Vice President; Sherry McKown, Secretary;
and Dawn Lange, Treasurer



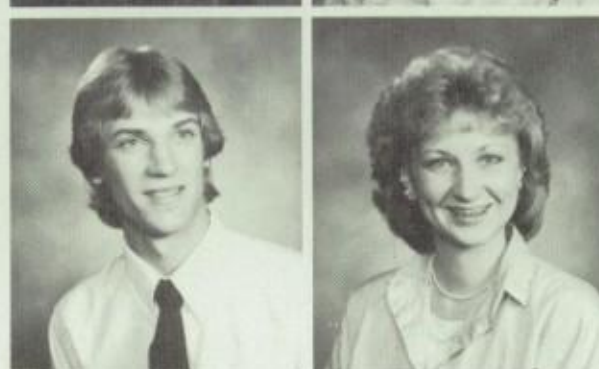
Lesley Wenger
Joel Westendorf
Deborah Webster: DECA; French Club;
GAA; Distance Running; Swim Team;
Team
Doug Whalen
Stefanie L. Whan: French Club; GAA;
Semester Honor Roll; Who's Who in
H.S. America; Softball

Senior Officers

When describing the Senior Class Officers one phrase came to mind: "Totally Awesome!" The '85-'86 Senior Class Officers were President-Matthew Truitt, Vice President-Bridget Foley, Secretary-Sherry McKown, and Treasurer-Dawn Lange. The duties of the officers were to run the Senior Class meetings, plan graduation announcements, senior picnic, graduation commencement, and the life long duty of planning future class reunions. "I was really honored to be chosen as President, and I am looking forward to planning graduation," exclaimed Matthew Truitt. The Senior class was looking forward to a terrific senior year and the long awaited walk for that diploma. Bridget Foley summed up the feelings of most seniors: "This year has been a total riot, but I am also looking forward to graduation and a bright future. It will be a lot of fun planning graduation and reunions. It has definitely made many good memories, things that I will always remember. Our class knows how to have fun!" (written by D. Zastrow)



Judith L. Wheadon: JA; Quill and Scroll;
ROCK; TSC; Semester Honor Roll;
Student Congress Rep.; Tennis;
Yearbook-Academics Editor, Editor in
Chief
Sue Wheeler



Mark White
June M. Williams: New Student '84-
'86, Sterling High, Ill. '82-'84; Art Club;
Art Extra Effort; Drama Club; French
Club; Spanish Club; All State- Band; All
District-Band; Marching Band; Honor
Band; Jazz Band; Pep Band; Mixed
Chorus; Orchestra; Show Choir; Pep
Club; Student Council-Secretary; Stu-
dent Congress Alternate; Play-Make-
up Head; Eyas; Mobius; Yearbook-
Faculty Editor, Senior Class Editor, Art
Tracy L. Williams
Kristin A. Wirtz: Drama Club; Semester
Honor Roll; One Acts; Musical



Michael D. Wise: Drama Club; Thesi-
pian; All State-Chorus; Mixed Chorus;
Musical; Play
Decki Witte



Paula K. Worth: Art Club; Softball
Melody Wright: Jan. Grad.
Brad Wulf: Boys' State; Who's Who in
H.S. America
Dean Wulf
Stephen J. Wulf: Martial Arts



Wendy Yanachek: French Club; GAA;
German Club; Spanish Club; TSC;
Tennis; Gifted and Talented; Semester
Honor Roll
Bill Yates: Bowling
Brian Yingling
Thomas Yoke: Weight Club; Cross
Country
Dawn M. Zastrow: New Student '84-
'86, Buena High, CAL. '82-'84; GAA;
Spanish Club; Who's Who H.S. Amer-
ica; Student Congress Rep.; Soccer; ICF-
Vice Pres., Steering Committee; Soft-
ball; Soph. and Jr. Class Council; Pep
Club; Honor Roll; FCA (Fellowship
Christian Athletes); Yearbook-Sports
Editor

Seniors Not Pictured

Brent S. Aamodt
Sue Albrecht
Andrew Albright
Steven Arguello
Michael Arnold
Andy Ayemin
Jeffery A.C. Bainbridge
Craig Baker
Sean Barnhill
Mike Bartosch
Dave Bates
Douglas Bates
Jerry Beatty
Audrey Benson
Jerry D. Blumer
Tom Blumer
Becki L. Boots
Troy D. Boots
John Brady
Toni Brooks
Doug Buchanan
Jennifer L. Burkhart
Noel Carlton
John Caskey
Adam G. Chapa III
Steven Cravens
Mike Davis
Dorie Dettman
David Dierickx
David Dobbs
Ron Dobbs
Dave Dolls
Lisa Jo Dunn
Lori Elliott
Jean Elwood
Scott Paul Fenn
Shawn Fenn
Michael Fitzpatrick
Mike Flatman
John Fording

Marlo Forrest
Tom Franklin
Anthony Garcia
Kelvin Garrow
Deanna H. Gibson
Mark A. Gilbert
Doug Graham
Bob Greiser
William Grise
Cherie Marie Gibson
Felicia Nicole Grzyb
Giraud Gully
Belinda Harmon
Richard J. Hartman Jr.
William Herald
Mayumi Hisamoto
Patricia M. Jennett
Valerie Johansen
Tammy Sue Karwath
Damon Kingsley
Robert Leavell
Tina Letts
Terry Long
Leonard Loveday
Kris Ludwig
Michael McCrindle
Paul McCullough
Candace McKaye
Julie McMillen
Brian Mead
Tracy Meade
Victor Miller
Todd Moon
Todd Moore
Fenn Scott Moore
Matthew D. Mullins
Randy Pavelka
Floyd M. Plymale
Robert Quinn

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Nieng Yerm
Thomas York
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Brian Zinsli
Brad Zogg



A portion of the January graduates of the class of 1986 pause during "C" lunch to join each other out in the courtyard. Most January graduates have pushed aside some of the fun of second semester in favor of more pressing

circumstances in their lives: some would go directly to the service, a few had full time jobs waiting, and still others planned to start college in a few days. Though graduation ceremonies are smaller at midyear, these smiling faces attest to the fact that graduation is a special achievement for all.



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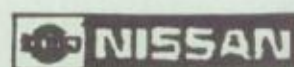
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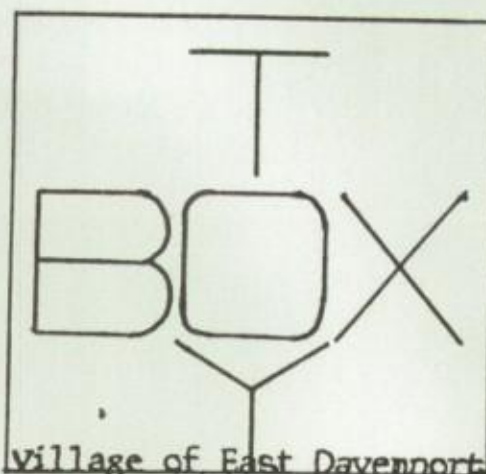
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Adam Agan
Anna Agan
Shawn Agan



Daniel Aguirre
Danny Ahrens
James Anderson
Scott Anderson
Yvette Arguello
Donna Armstrong



"Being a junior is the greatest. I've got the keys to the car, sixteen years behind me . . ."

Caught in the middle of the social ladder with seniors "ruling" over them and sophomores falling beneath them, a junior who gets into trouble has no excuse. The seniors are expected to have too much on their minds and one more burden would be too much to bear. The sophomores say, "I don't know," and are off the hook. Meanwhile, juniors are fed the "you're old

enough to know better" speech.

Teachers expect more of juniors for the same reasons. A teacher never says to a sophomore, "How many years have you been in high school?" Goodness knows seniors have enough to worry about without an extra work load.

Despite all the problems, juniors seem to be optimistic. **Kim Jeys** said, "Being a junior is the greatest. I've got keys to the car, sixteen years behind me, and everything to look forward to. Until then, I'll have fun and jam on the seniors with responsibilities and the sophs who aren't old enough." **Roberta Duncombe** said, "Being a junior is like being the second sister out of three. You get the least attention, but you also get into the least trouble. It's okay, but best is not being a sophomore any more!"

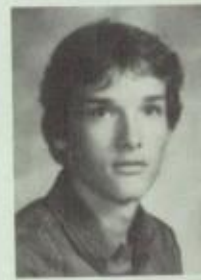
The general consensus among juniors, as they looked back was: "Was I really that dumb?" (written by T. York)



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Chad Awbrey
Neal Ayres
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Karen Baney



Thomas Bartlett
Joyce Barton
Kristine Bates
Stephen Bates
Dana Baxter
Jay Bealer



Amanda Behning
Bryan Behning
Erik Belwel
Debra Bellman
Diana Benck
Joyce Bennett





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Scott Bernick
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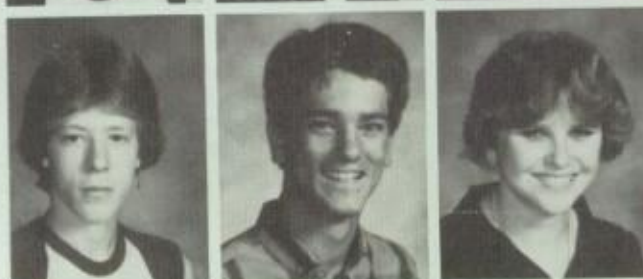
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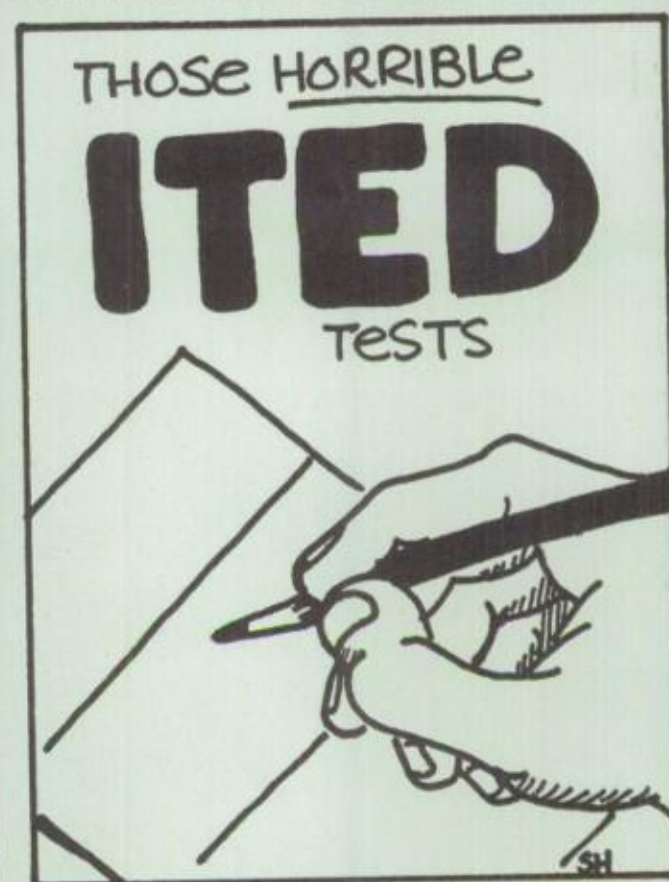
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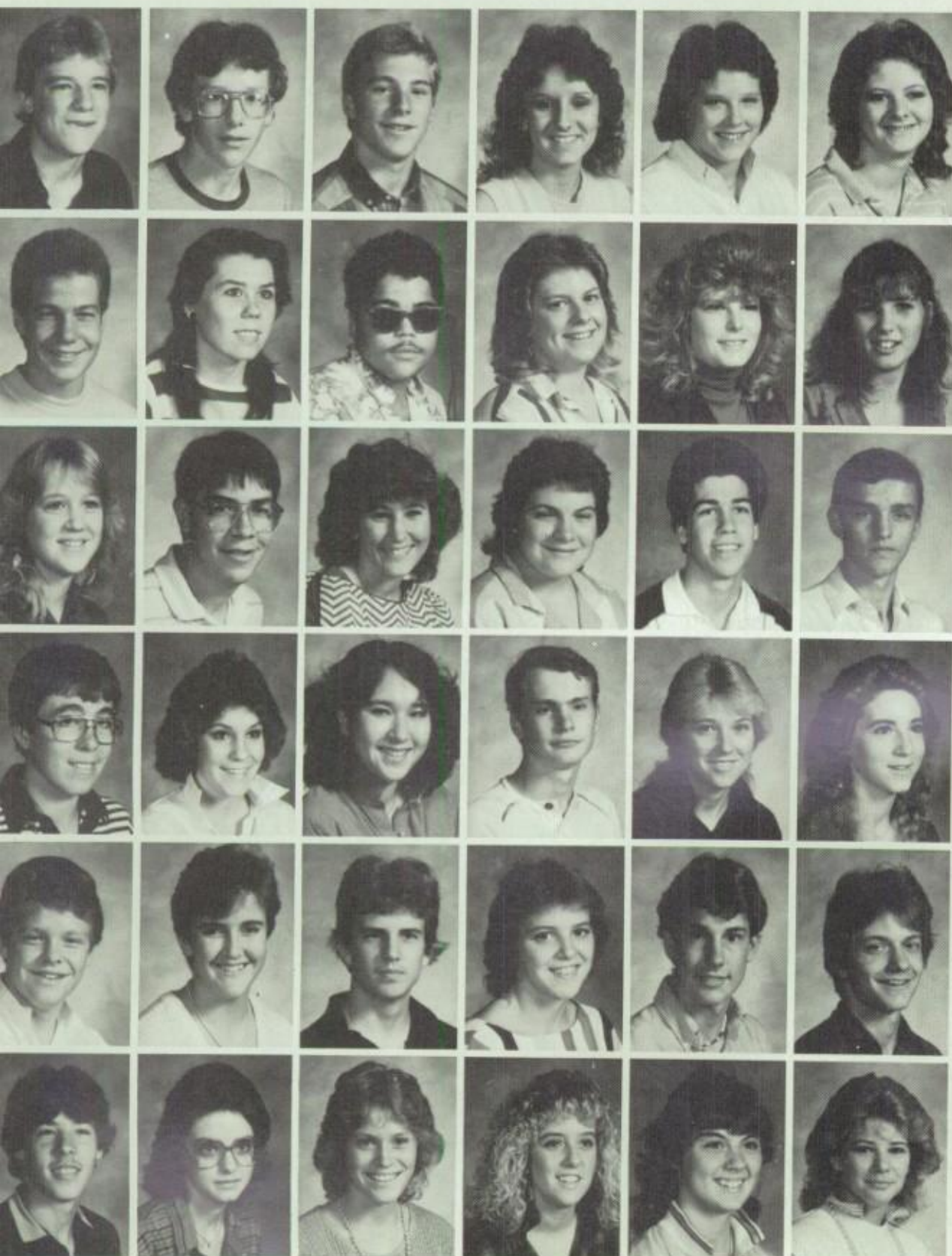
Around the middle of October, one did not mess with the juniors. If the juniors had not felt the pressure before, October was when they felt the heat. Why? Four little letters that stood for the Iowa Tests of Educational Development, and meant working double-time to keep up with the homework and tests.

From eight to nine-o-five, ITED's were held for juniors while sophomores and seniors slept an extra hour. The ITED's were similar to the Iowa Test of Basics Skills, in that they were a fill-in-the-circle-representing-the-letter-of-the-correct-answer-with-a-number-two-pencil kind of test. They dealt with quantitative thinking, social studies, natural science, literature, vocabulary, sources of information, and correctness of expression. For the week of October 14-18, all juniors took these

tests.

Opinions of these tests varied. Said **Sonya Van Gorder**: "They are a necessity because we need to find out if our system (of learning) is sufficient." **Billy Rice** said: "The ITED's should be for only college-bound people."

Of course sophomores and seniors liked them. **Eric Willroth**, '88, thought, "They should have them every day." When **Joel Westendorf**, '86, was asked his wise and experienced opinion, he said: "Heck! I get an extra hour of sleep!" (written by T. York)



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Tammy Dean
Tracy Dempsey

Becky Denekas
Steven Denger
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Those Fabulous Falcons Make

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Kelly Franco
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Robert Gilley
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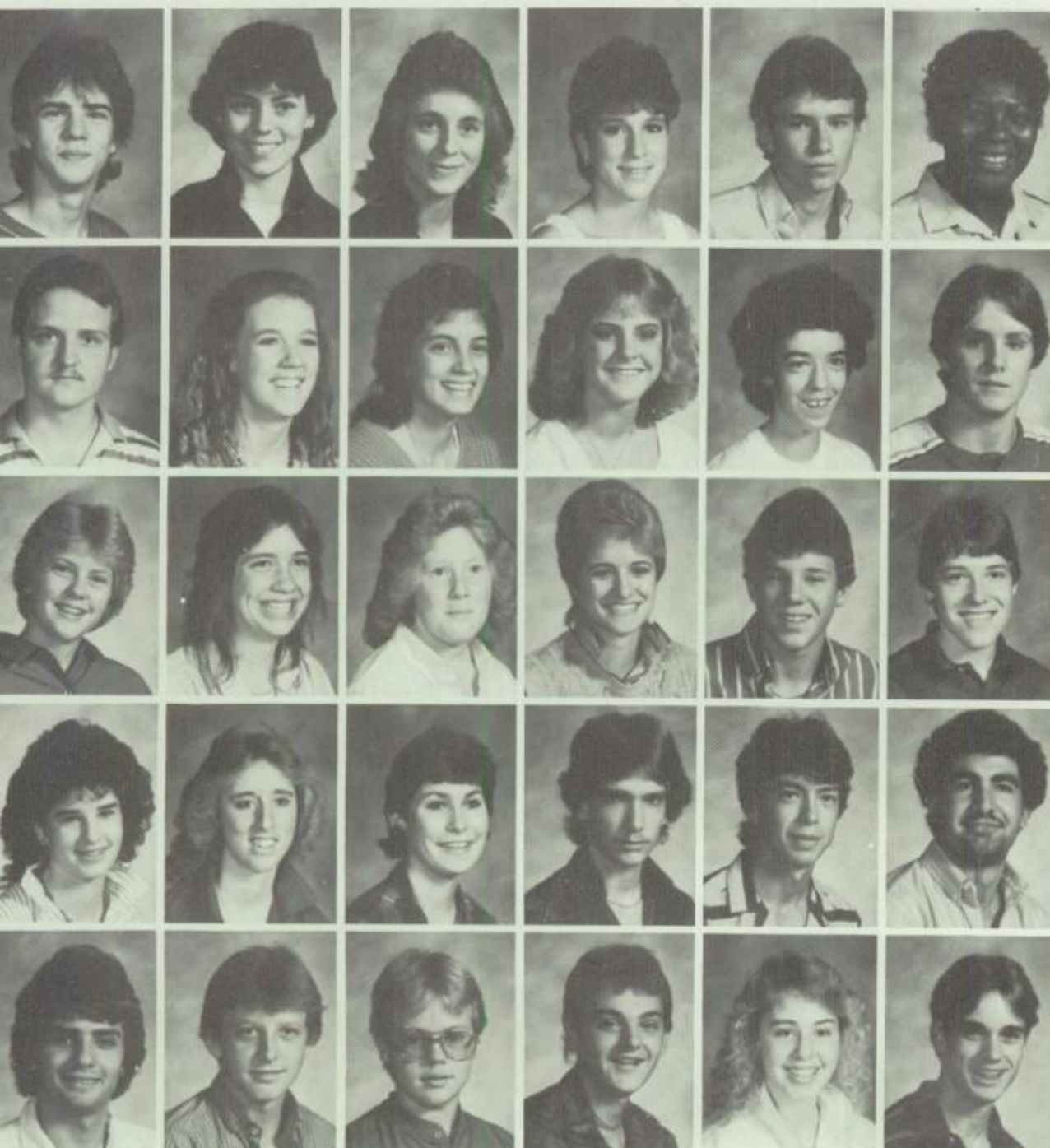


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All the prepping for the dance pays off as is shown by these couples. (staff photo)

Preparations With Style



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Christopher Hesse
James Heuer
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Rob Hills
Lisa Hinshaw
Jeffrey Hintze

Dances: a great place to socialize with friends and to meet new people. It is amazing how much time students can spend preparing for a dance.

Those who decorate for a dance discover the strain of deciding just what the other students would like the place to look like and what band they should chose to play for them. A thought that must be considered is the fact that the band sets the tone for the entire dance. If the band is not what the students want, the atmosphere becomes suddenly lifeless and, to sum up, is a bomb. On the other hand, when the band is exactly what the students want, the excitement builds and builds until one would think the sheer electricity in the air would set the building ablaze.

Getting dressed and made up for a dance requires painstaking care and incredible thought. After all, one main reason for going is to impress others and make a good image of one's style and flair.

Girls must decide between the blue

sweater and a pair of jeans; the comfortable loose blouse and a pair of pants; or the gorgeous flowing dress, for the more formal dances. Another element that is essential is the selection of the mystically sweet-smelling perfume or the soft whispery encompassing perfume.

The guys, in turn, must make the crucial decision between the cologne that drives the girls crazy or the kind that subtly lets them know that they have arrived. Another consideration is between the baggy jeans and cool, stylish shirt, the dress pants and oxford, the handsome sweater and blue jeans, or the dreaded tux and tails, for the formal dances.

No matter what was finally decided for the decorations and dress, the dance created fond memories or dreams of better dances. Some students discovered the courage they never thought they had when they finally asked another to dance. Throughout the night, guys would gather in a group and try to talk each other into asking a girl to dance; often times a girl would beat them to it and

ask first, after having spent a half hour debating with her friends whether she should make the first move.

Dances: a time to laugh, a time to remember, a time to forget, a time to embarrass, a time to relax, a time to enjoy, a time to be unique. (written by J. Wheadon)

Those Sparkling Smiles . . .



Before: Kim Jeys, '87, models her sparkling smile. (photo by J. Morrissey)



After: Diane Kunkle, '87, shows us the Brace-Free look. (photo by K. Rodriguez)

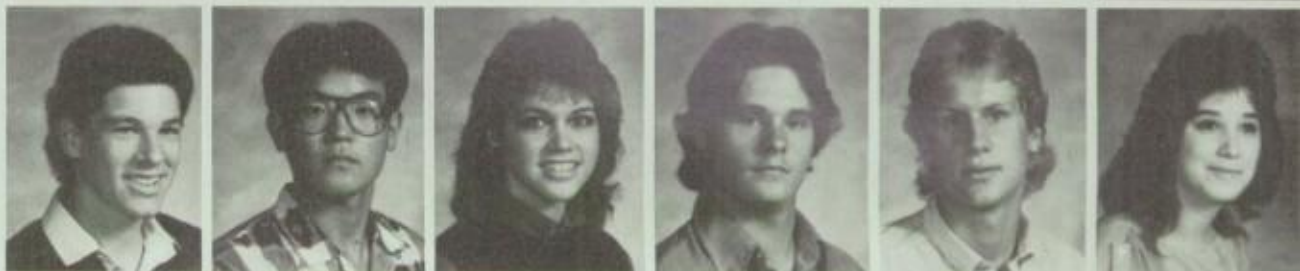
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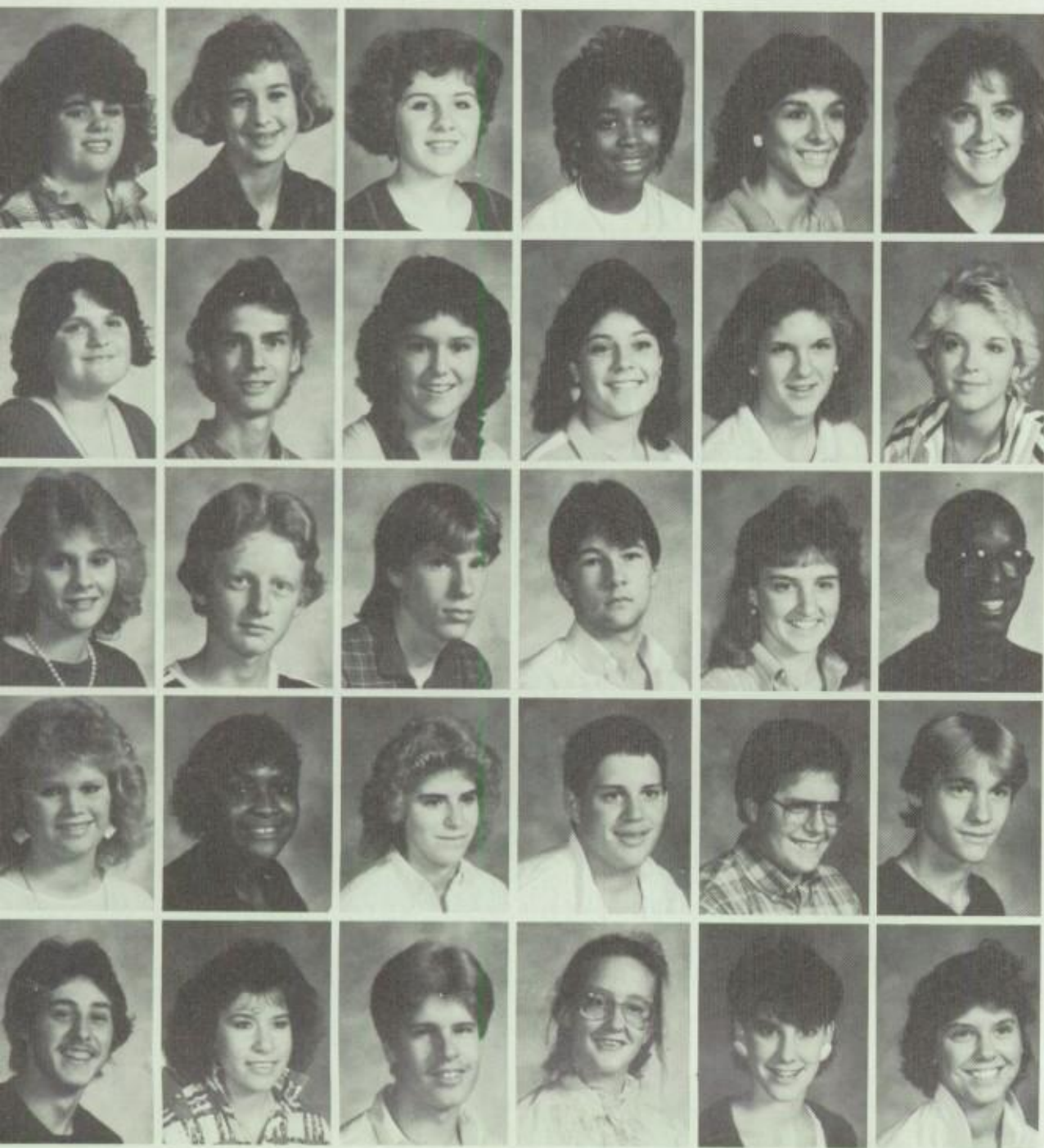


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..Braces

Braces: those glittering bands and wires make it hard to imagine ever seeing one without them. Contrary to popular belief, the agony of braces does not begin with the cementing of the first band.

For most, the agony begins with the removal of one or more teeth. Sometimes one begins to think the dentist's theme is—"Here a tooth, there a tooth, everywhere a tooth, tooth. Old sweet doctor pulled some teeth! Ouchie, ouchie, oh!!!" And after these teeth are removed some lucky people get to wear "neat" retainers.

Then the first sparkling bands are applied. Eight gears and headgears are just a few of the "fashionable" accessories one may have a chance to wear. After this, one's dearest friends start to call one a whole assortment of "neat" names such as, Braceface, Metal Mouth, and Traintrack.

But most people do not know the facts about braces. One fact is that most "lucky" people get to wear braces from six months

to five years. There is some good news . . . one must wear braces a shorter time now.

Another fact is that orthodontists make somewhere between \$50,000—\$250,000 a year. This varies according to the area of practice, the size of the practice, and whether or not he is established. Doctors, however, do not make all their money from children's and teenager's teeth. According to Jann Myers, who works for an orthodontist, on the average 10 to 20% of a orthodontist's patients are adults. So if one cannot afford to have braces as a teen, one can always wait until they have sufficient funds.

A sparkling smile (literally!) is just one of the "advantages" of wearing braces. Those rubber bands to shoot at one's enemies is another. The biggest "advantage" has to be not being able to chew gum and eat caramel. Speaking of food, one must not forget the "yummiel" plaster molds. These are made in order to see how long one can breathe while not swallowing gobs of plaster.

And who could forget the anticipation of that first "fatal" kiss? One spends hours worrying whether or not the braces will change anything, only to find out that nothing is changed. In a few cases, though . . .

Then the magic words: "It is time for them to come off." One is terrified with anticipation. Soon the last of the sparkling bands are gone, and the reward of years of teasing and pain are fulfilled.

So to all poor souls dreading "that day," remember it is not forever, and the rewards are great. And to all who have gone through the agony of braces, remember to go easy on those still suffering. After all, everyone knows "tin grins are still in!!!" (written by H. Petersen)

Rust In Chrome

Robert Linz
Laurie Little
Brer Lobdell
Julie Loose



Amy Lord
Thomas Lorentzen
Alicia Luallen
Amy Lund



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Amy Makoben



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Vance Mattson
Robert McWilliams
Melinda McFarlin
Terry McIllece



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As the years go by this bug's beautiful smile falls. (car photos by M. Smothers)

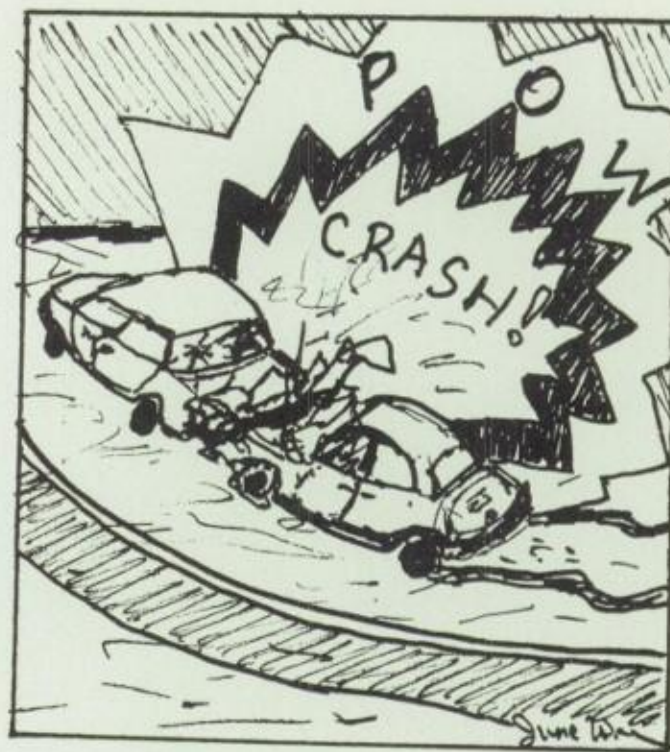


Teenagers seem to have various problems, which seem to multiply with the question: "Can I borrow the car?"

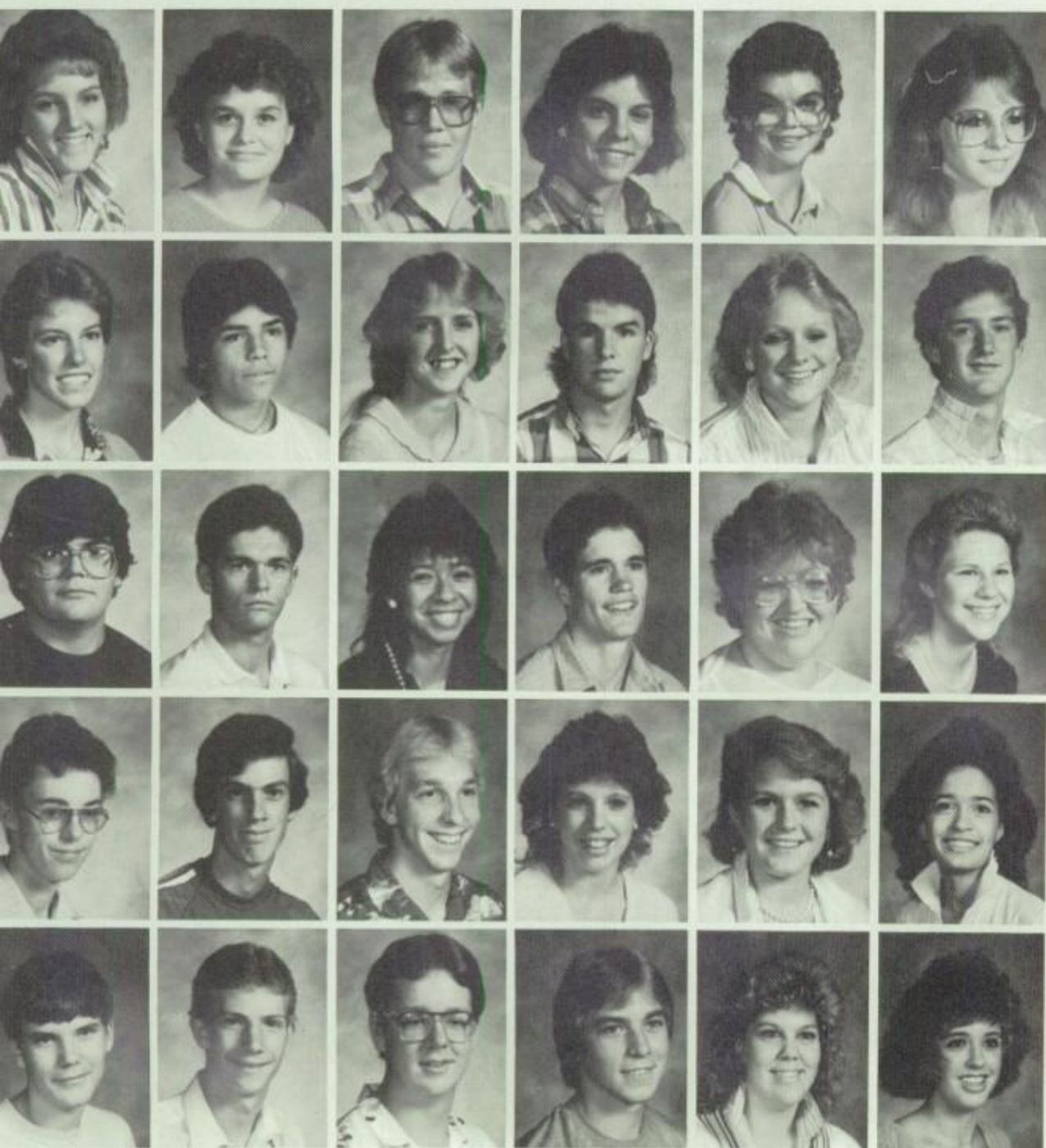
Money that stretched to encompass dances, munchies, sports events, movies, and general party activities, must now stretch to support a perpetually empty gas tank.

Cruising with the windows down, radio blaring, sunglasses on (though it is eight p.m.), and loaded down until the bumpers scrape: everything was casual until the light turned red and someone stepped on the accelerator— CRASH! The family car lost both bumpers, and the right fender. The officer shook his head and handed the student four tickets: reckless driving, driving with obscured vision, an overloaded car, and speeding.

Turning slowly into the driveway with headlights out, radio off and slouched down behind the steering wheel, the student parked the car, hoping that his parents would believe it was a hit and run.



Pacing through the house with the shackles of imprisonment growing heavier, the car keys gleam enticingly as the student dreamt of cruising again. The breeze ruffling his hair and freedom tingling through every limb— only four years or 650 dollars, whichever came first. (written by B. Speer)



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Diane Miller
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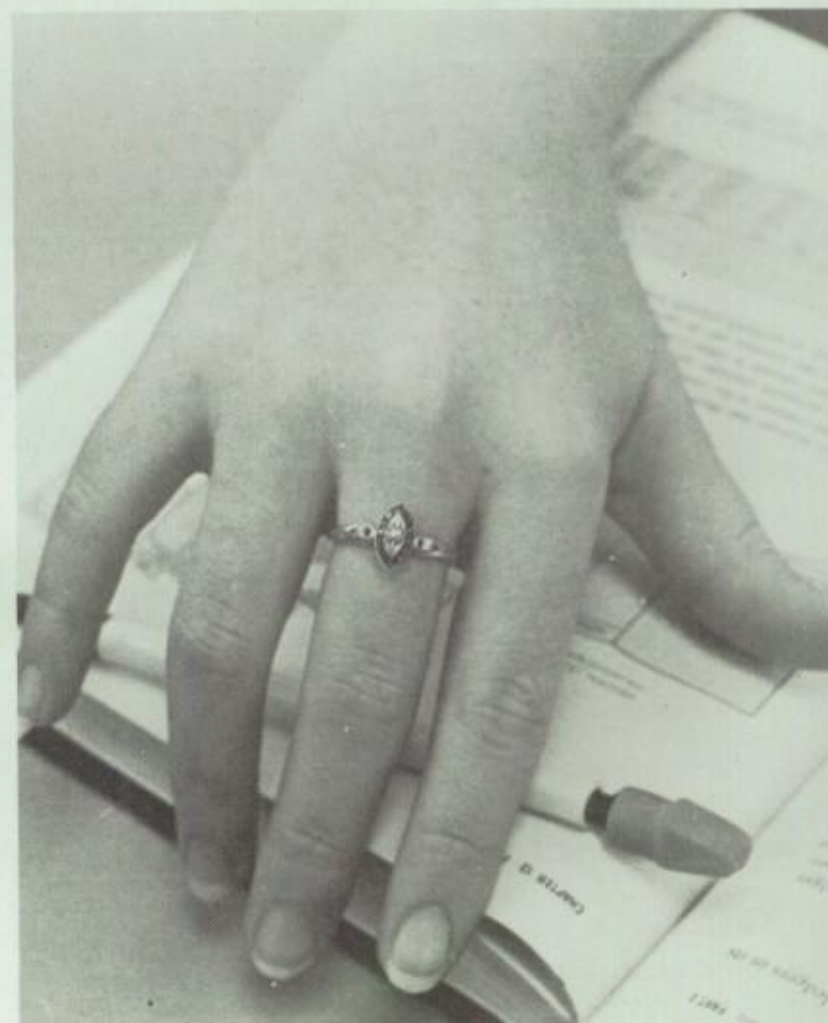
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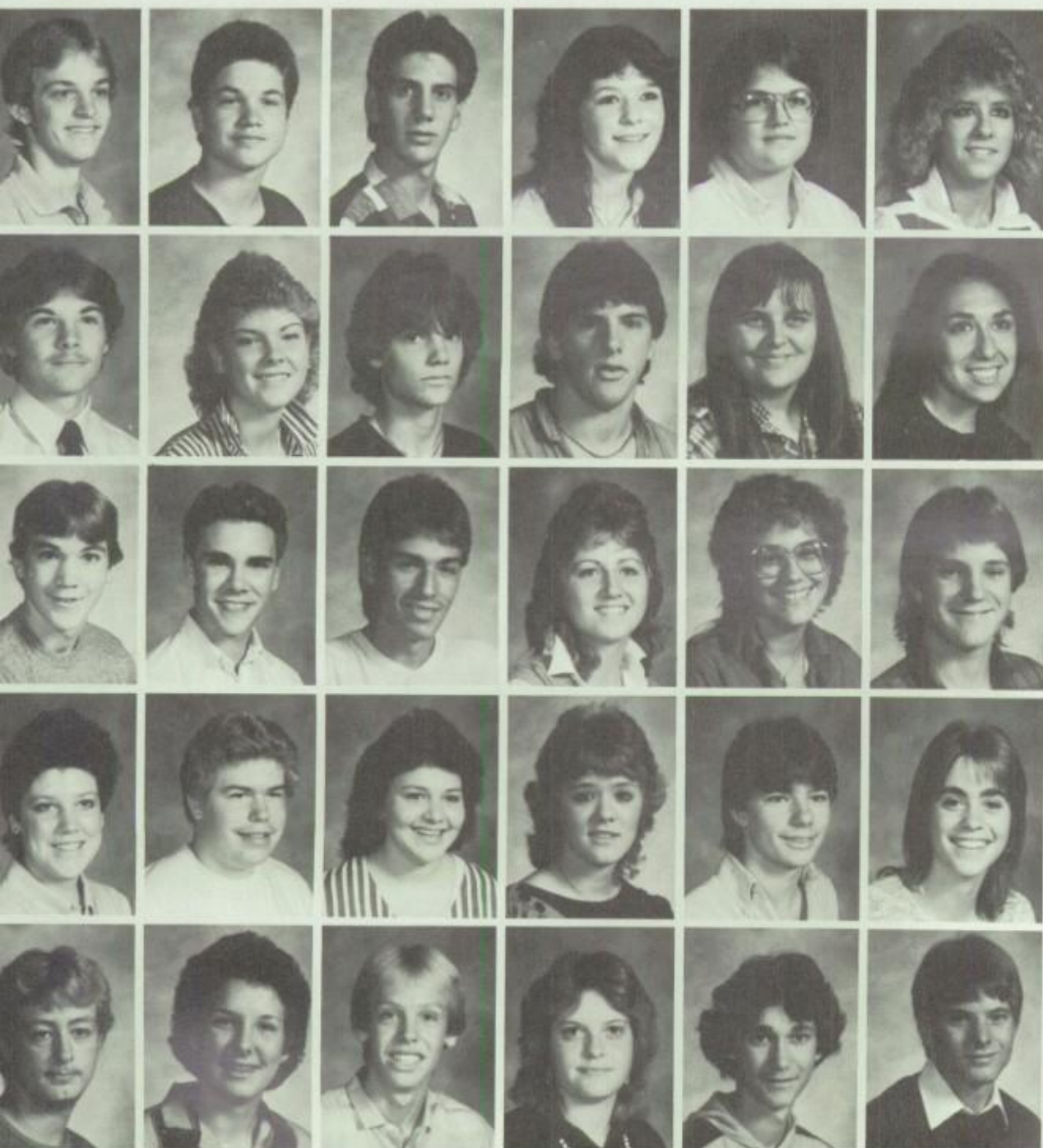
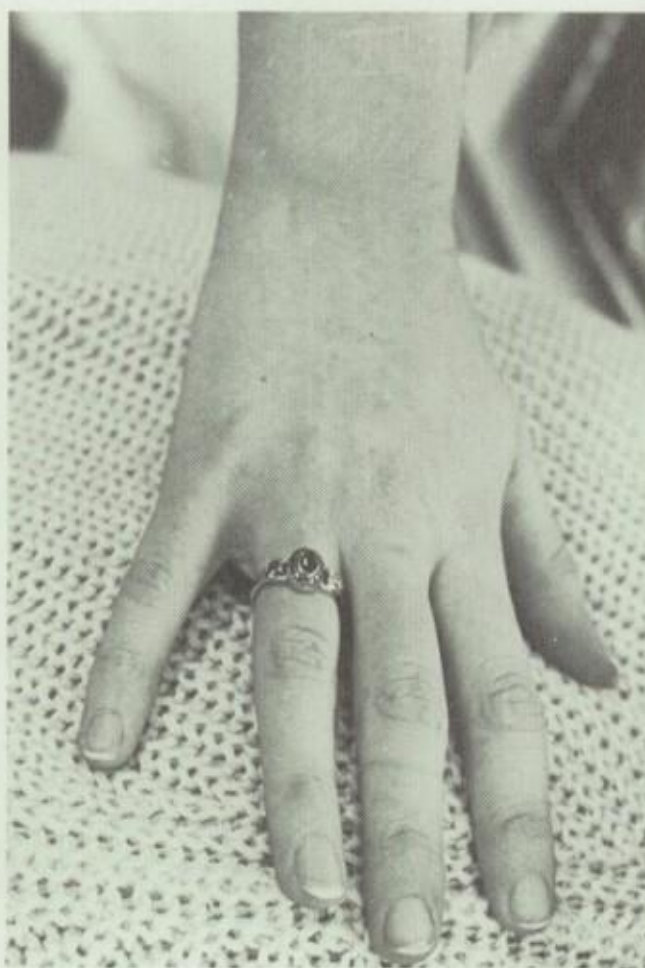
Melissa Prunchak
Heather Puck



Class rings— just the sound of them brought a sigh to the lips and dreamy looks to our eyes. Visions of sparkling jewels, shiny gold bands, and hand-etched symbols floated merrily around in our heads. A hazy feeling overcame us as we pictured exchanging rings with that special person.

Reality struck as jewelers spewed prices, always better than the previous offer. What were we supposed to do? A ring was something everyone has to have to remember the days when we were not on our own.

Most of us shopped around to answer that question. Each jeweler offered different academic achievement symbols, stones, and lettering to us. It was just a matter of finding that perfect shop for the individual, or that perfect money; parents were helpful. Sometimes paying it for ourselves was more special. Buying and receiving a class ring was a very important time when we took it slowly and with a bit of realism. (written by M. Parker)



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Wendy Walsh, '87, finds time to write a reply to a humorous note during math. (photo by M. Parker)



Four juniors yell their bids during the pet auction and held during Charity Week. (photo by J. Morrissey)

Melissa Rogers
Amy Rose
Dan Rowell
T. J. Rubley
Michelle Ruefer
Tracy Runge



Scott Ryan
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John Rymars
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Ginger Saur
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Brenda Schaeffer
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Julie Scriven
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Debra Secoy
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Cindy Smith
Dana Smith



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Phyllis Smith
Renee Smith
Michael Smothers
Kurtis Snay



Kyle Snay
Audrey Snider
Darren Snider
Sarah Speece
Bridget Speer
Scott Spitzmiller



Denny Herman, '88, and Diane Kunkle, '87, show their relief after finding some important papers. (staff photo)

"The U.S. - Friendly Place"

Matthew Spring
Daniel Staggs
Jeffrey Stannard
Larry Steele
Tina Steele
Lisa Steinecke



Jason Stewart
Melissa Stout
Randall Strayer
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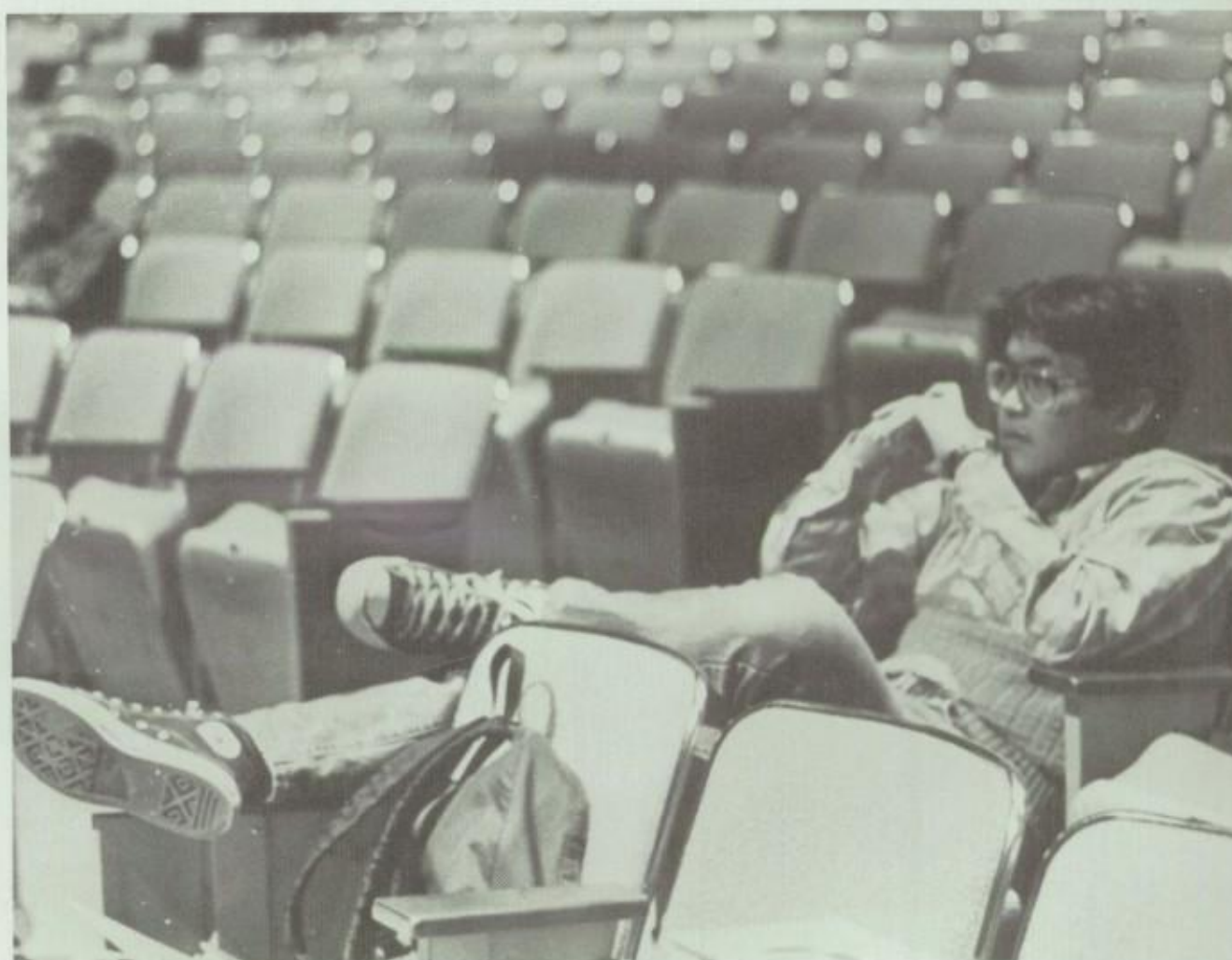
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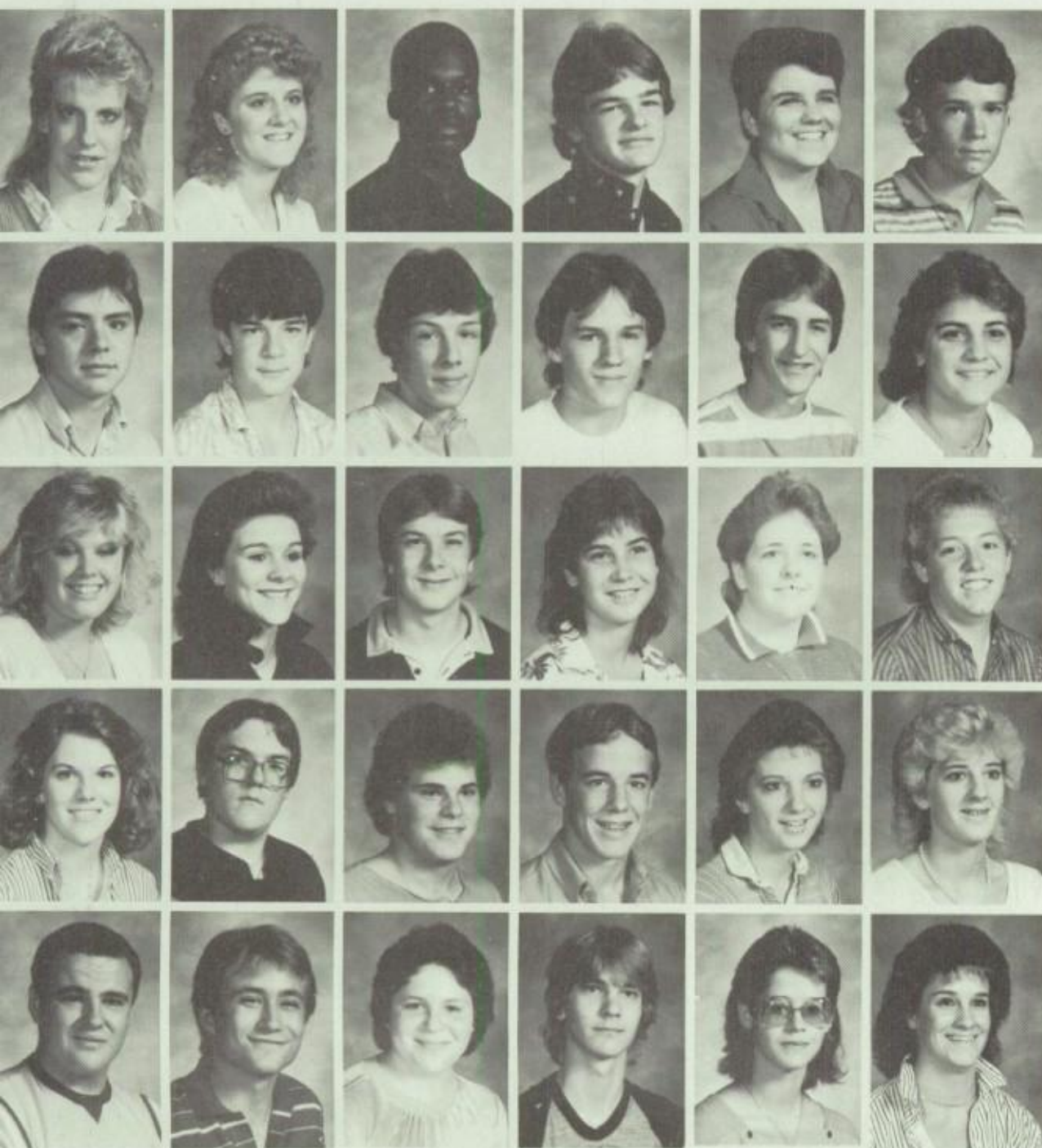


Trisha Trefz
Mark Ullrich
Sonya Vangorder
Aimee Verbeke
Cindy Vernon
Rebecca Wadsworth



Daisuke Ito, '87, takes a break during choir rehearsal to relax. (staff photo)





Penelope Wagner
Christine Walker
Terrill Walker
Brian Walsh
Wendy Walsh
Daniel Ware

Brian Werner
William Warner
Troy Warren
Frank Weas
Alan Weintraut
Judith Wellmeier

Melissa Welty
Lynn Wendell
Brian Verner
Donna Whalen
Deborah Whan
Paul White

Elizabeth Wilcox
Jerry Wildemuth
Benjamin Williams
Doug Williams
Lynett Williams
Ann Willis

Delbert Willis
Craig Wilson
Karen Wood
Jeffrey Wright
Roni Wright
Sandra Wright

This year at West High we had a delightful and charming foreign exchange student. His name: **Diasuke Ito**. He was a junior from Japan.

We asked Diasuke about his school back home in Japan. There, he had to take a train or a bus to get to school. At this school they were required to wear uniforms. The students were also required to study for at least three hours a day, other than their regular day's classes.

While here at West, Diasuke took part in many events, such as All-State Choir tryouts, the fall musical, and the varsity basketball team.

Diasuke told us he has been playing basketball for five years. He also participated in the choirs at his school in Japan. He said that the music here was very different, but all in all, music is the same wherever one is from.

He especially enjoyed the musical. He commented that it was, "Fun, fun!" Although he joined the cast just a couple of weeks before opening night, he gave a wonderful performance. **Jeff Bainbridge**, '86, thought it was really incredible that someone could come from a different country and catch on as quickly as Diasuke did. Then he also stated that, "The energy with which Diasuke attacked his performance and the whole show was more than

that of most cast members who had been with the show since the beginning."

Diasuke, who was staying with the James Grothus family of Blue Grass, remained in the United States until the end of June. In July he traveled homeward with many memories of his friends at West High. The Falcons wish him good luck and all the happiness he richly deserves in the coming years. (written by H. Petersen)

On the Roll to Improvement

Gregory Wulf
Robert Yoke
Tammy York
Kevin Gomez
Tracy Young
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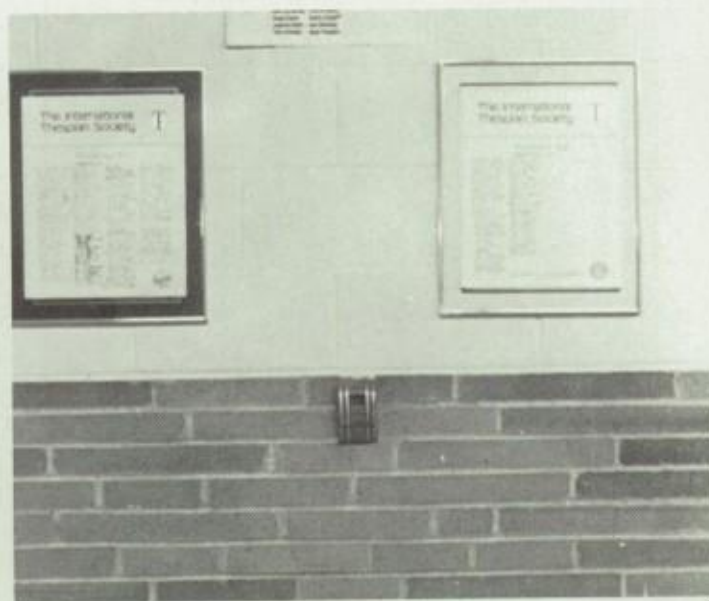
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(1) Seeming a little plain and drab, Thespians decide to dress up this hallway. (photo by J. Morrisey)

(2) Many students in the drama department dream of signing their names to the list of Thespians. (photo by D. Kunkle)

This year the members of the West High Thespians were going to take on a major restoration job. As well as producing a musical and an all-school play, members were also going to be learning the fine art of interior decorating. A theater greenroom (which is usually not green) is a place where actors and technical workers can go to study lines, rehearse, or just relax before going on stage. A green room might be compared to the locker room for those who are in sports, or the publications office for those who work on the newspaper or yearbook.

At West High, the Thespians decided to add new life to their greenroom. Lockers were removed, and new colors for the walls were decided. Mr. Naab, the new adviser, suggested plans for money-makers to help support the project. In any professional greenroom, monitors would be used by the actors to hear cues from onstage, and would broadcast throughout the greenroom to show what was onstage. These monitors would be useful for timing and costume changes as well as making entrances

on stage at the proper times.

Another change in the greenroom was the cork bulletin board donated by Payless Cashways in Davenport. The officers of the club were busy looking into the prices of carpeting to help maintain the necessary quiet atmosphere near the stage.

Although the restoration job will be a long and difficult process, Thespians and Drama Club members were anxious to get things underway. When done, the greenroom was to create another magical aspect of theater for future performers. (written by B. Manock)



Drama club members relax in the Green Room during a free moment. (photo by D. Kunkle)

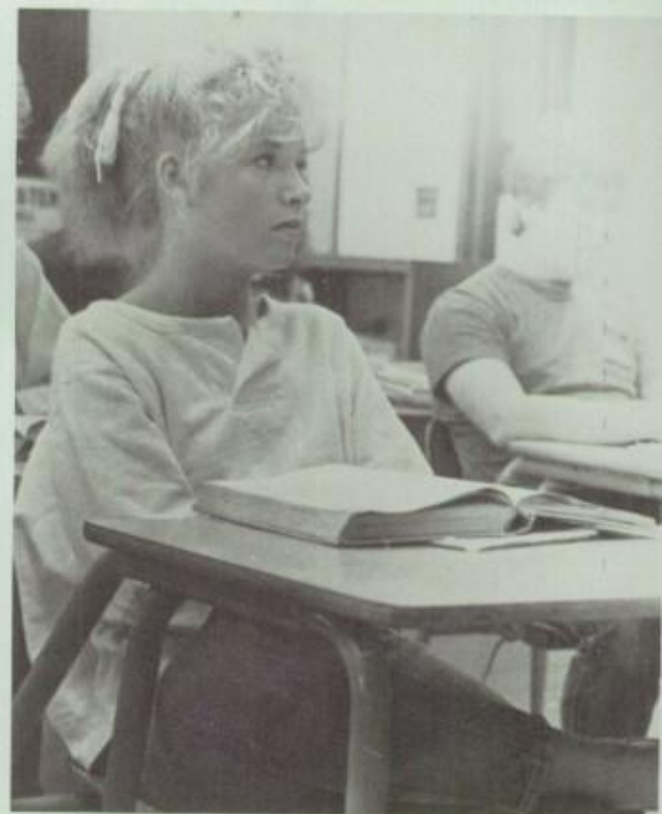
Juniors at Work and Play



Junior Class officers, Mitch Knutson - Vice Pres., Steve McDonald - Treasurer, Scott Ryan - Pres., and Kristal Koberg - Secretary, delegate over future activities. (photo by D. Zastrow)

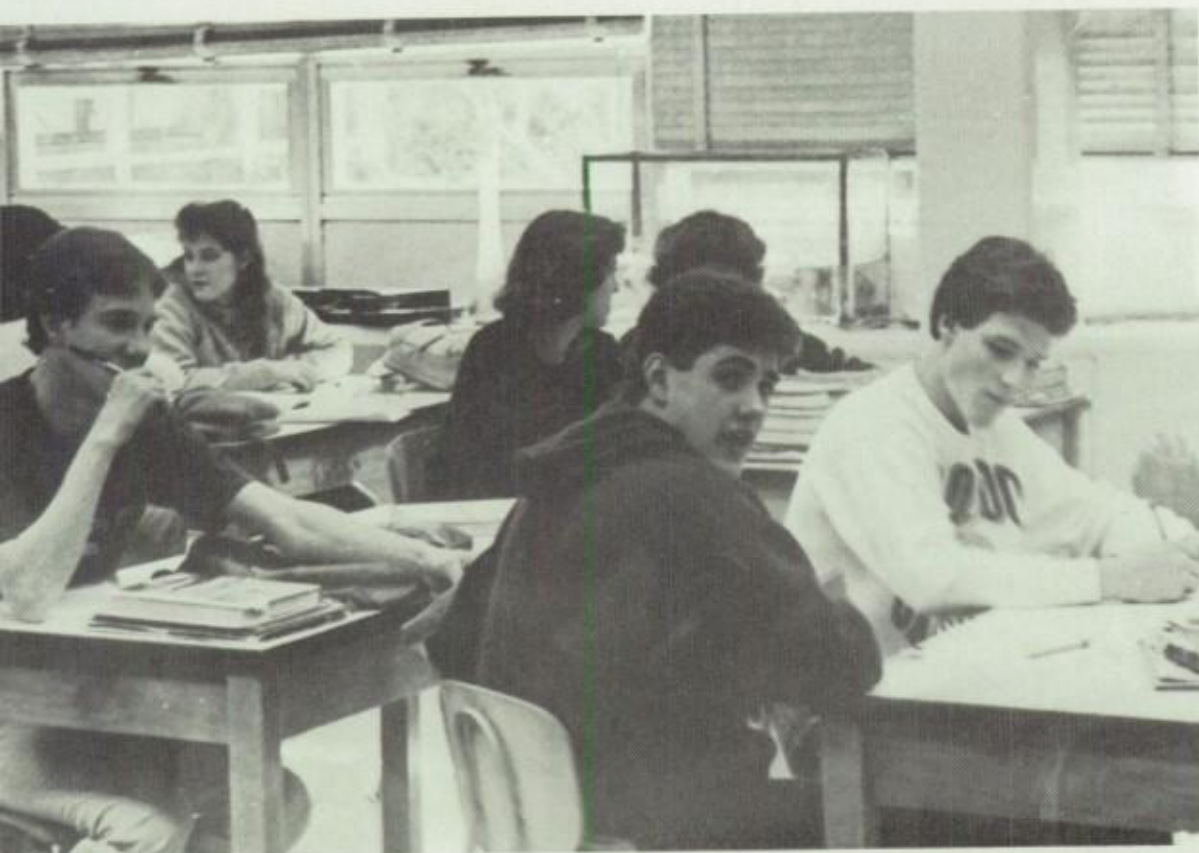


Debbi Endorf, '87, balances the debits and credits in her accounting class. (staff photo)



(2) Deni Donelson, '87, decks the halls with boughs of tinsel as part of her duties as a pet for Mr. Rettko. (staff photo)

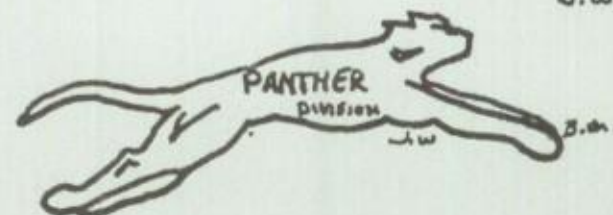
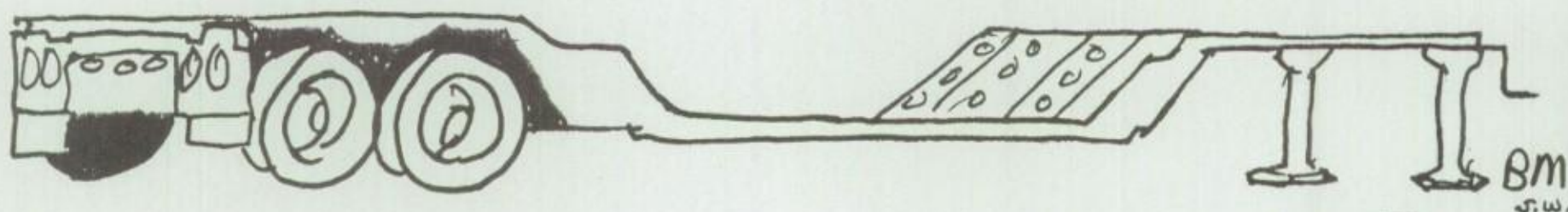
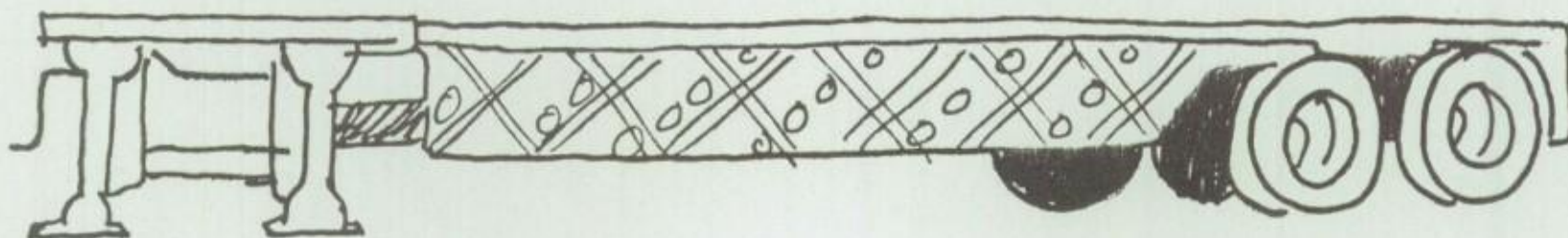
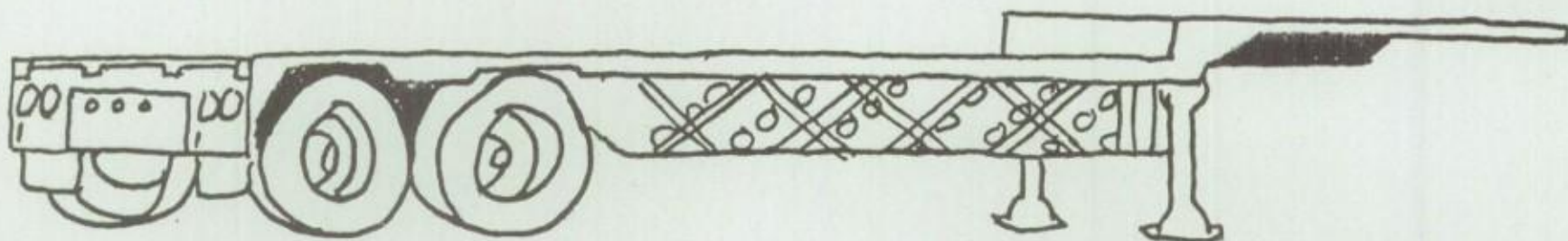
(4) Audrey Snider, '87, listens intently to her teacher's lecture in one of her morning classes. (staff photo)



(1) David Hoeper, Joey Burkhart, and Scott Ryan have a hard time concentrating in biology. (staff photo)

(2) Ginger Saur, '87, finds a quiet place to study her geometry in the band room. (photo by B. Manock)

(3) Robin Schuck and Mitch Knutsen rest their balancing and coordination skills. Yup — they're improving!



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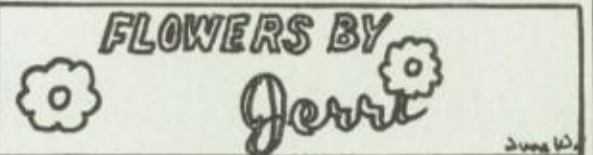
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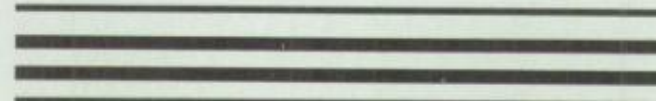
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Sophomores Experience First Pep Aud

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Lisa Ahrens
Katherine Akers
Jodi Albert
Pauline Alexander



Brian Allen
Patrick Allen
Duane Allers
Alejandra Almazan
Denise Anderson
Elizabeth Anderson



"Come on red, come on white..." The sounds of the year's first pep aud filled the gymnasium, kindling the excitement of the incoming sophomores. Little did they know that this aud signified the official beginning of sophomore ridicule. First, sophomores were directed to their "reserved" seats, the upstairs bleachers. This allowed juniors and seniors to easily focus their attention on one area and include all the sophomores in the traditional initiation as incoming West High Falcons. Sophomores looked across the gym to see signs and banners proclaiming "this is senior country!" or "stupid sophs!," yet they got into the spirit and yelled with the cheerleader. Next came the section cheers, with each class

trying to be the loudest and most enthusiastic. As the sophomores' turn came, juniors and seniors turned their backs on the sophomores and attempted to "boo" them out. Undaunted, the sophomores continued cheering and, for the most part, took the jeering in stride. Linda Willis, '88, felt that the aud was "A little embarrassing, but also funny!" All in all, the aud got everyone's excitement flowing one way or another. West's spirit seemed to fill the corridors for the rest of the day while students constantly picked on the sophs. Hopefully, the sophomores remember the experience of their first pep aud. It is not one to be forgotten; and, perhaps, it is one of the most memorable experiences of one's high school days. (written by K. Adomat)

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Aaron Arnold
Jennifer Arnold
Julie Arp
Chad Asay
Amy Askam



Bradley Atherton
Brian Atkins
Kelly Atkinson
Diana Awbrey
Bradley Badure
Michelle Baker



Brian Balser
Molley Bargfeld
Eddie Barnes
Charles Bartlett
Jason Bartosch
Nathan Barey





Todd Beadel
Scott Beattie
Troy Beaver
Lisa Beck
Eric Becker
Laura Beckman



Julie Bellman
Terri Bennett
Mark Berger
Michael Bergert
Jennifer Bernauer
Mike Berry



Christina Bixby
Daniel Black
David Black
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Jeffery Bleitz
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James Boeiger
Richard Bohling
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David Bolwar
Brenda Boots
Tamara Bovee



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Bradley Bramstedt
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Kelly Brower

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Amy Brown
Cory Brown
David Brus
Melissa Bryant



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Linda Buerklin
David Buffington
Erica Bullock



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Jeff Burns
Lisa Burrell
Jill Burson



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Wendy Buzzell
Melody Cambell
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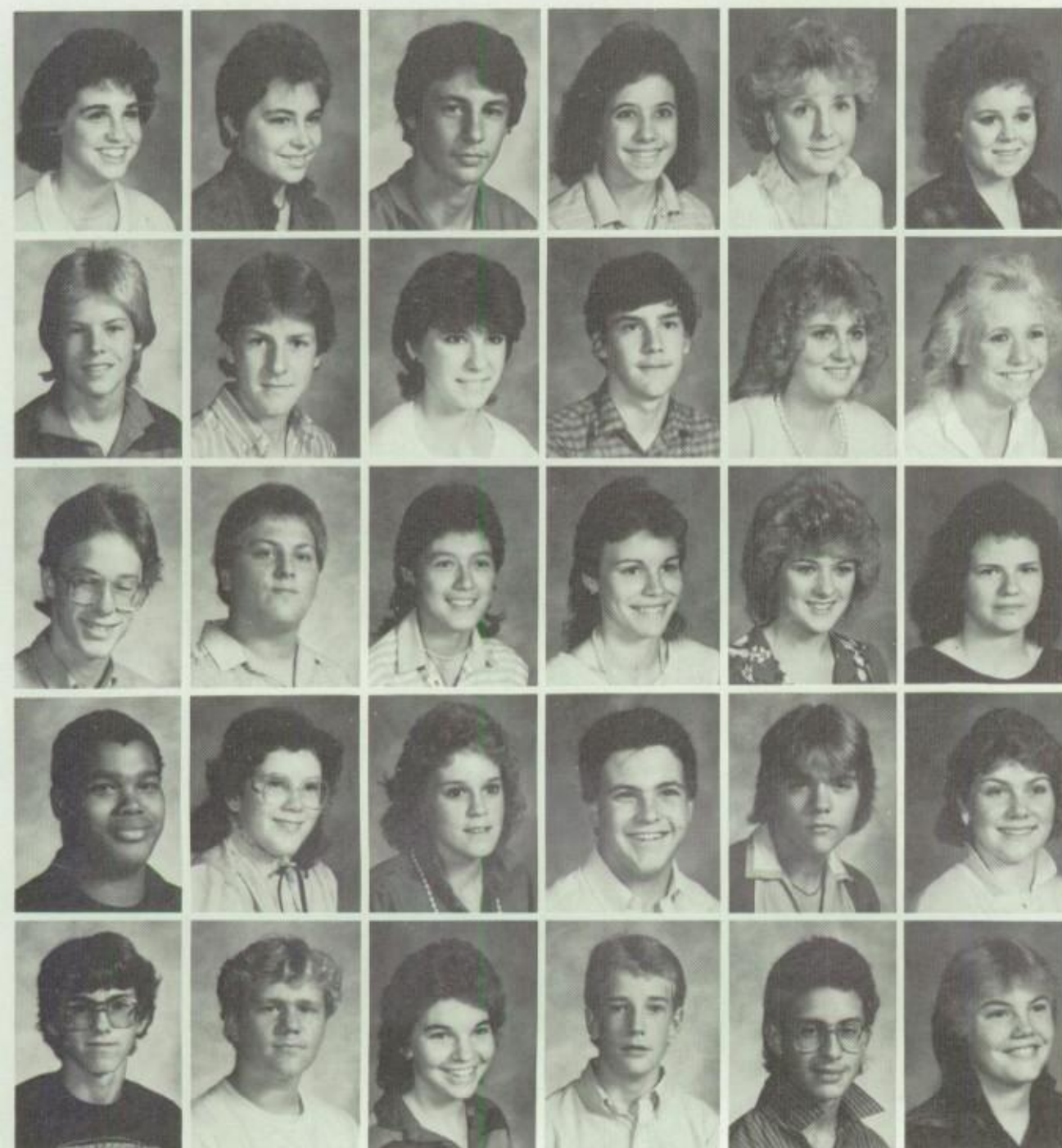
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Sabra Clark



Joseph Clay
William Clemons



...You Would Be Amazed



Heather Cockrell
Shannon Colgan
David Conner
Anna Cook
Stephanie Cook
Michelle Cooley

Greg Cosner
Jeffrey Cox
Marla Cox
Michael Cox
Kristi Coy
Kelly Crotis

Scott Crow
John Crowhover
Olivia Cuevas
Denise Cunningham
Jaqueline Cuppy
Renee Curtis

Denetrius Dally
Kathy Daufeldt
Stephanie Davis
David Dean
Vance Decker
Elizabeth Dengler

Darrel Derby
Michael Determan
Jennifer Deters
Jerome Devine
Jeffry Devlin
Tracy Devore

This year, the second totally visually impaired student attended West High School; her name was **Dorothy Gerischer**, '88. Dorothy, with the help of her sense of direction, had a fairly easy time learning her way around West. Even with the feelings of excitement and nervousness on the first day of school, she had a great time meeting new people. She did not know very many people when she first arrived, but the students were quite helpful.

In her spare time, Dorothy likes to read books and then compare the books to the movies she goes to with her friends. When she goes to the movies she listens to the dialogue while her friends explain to her what is happening on the screen. She also enjoys "watching" television and listening to rock-n-roll music; her favorites include Corey Hart and Ratt.

Scholastically, Dorothy is a very good student. When she was in the first part of kindergarten, she was taught to read braille, which she did not consider hard to do. In the fourth grade she learned how to type. Doing what many would think was impossible, she started violin lessons. The practicing turned out to be worthwhile for her when she received "A's" on her solo performances; they continued through her eighth grade year. Also while in eighth grade, Dorothy competed in the state spelling contest and placed nineteenth!

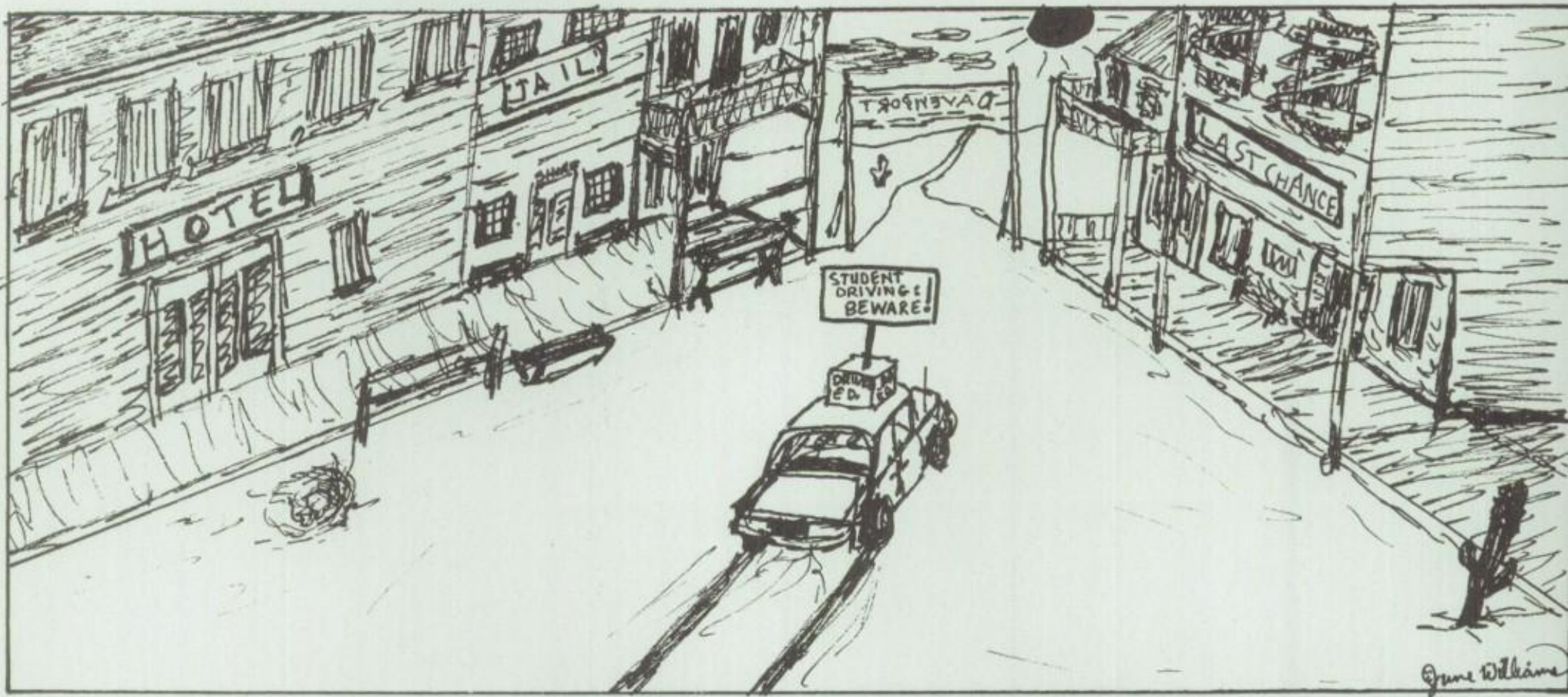
This past summer she spent five and a half weeks at Vinton School for the Blind. There she learned to travel with a cane and cook.

When asked about West Dorothy said that she really enjoyed it. One suggestion though, is that perhaps signs could be put up in the school for the blind students. It would

be as simple as putting raised arrows up and locating them at the corners of the halls, and by the stairs on the right hand side.

(written by K. Atkinson)

Sophomore Drivers Create Ghost Town?



Chad Dickey
Tracy Dietz
Jeanie Dobbs
Brandon Dodd
Andrew Dodds
Thomas Dorgan



Toy Dorman
Wendy Dorris
Lisa Doss
John Downs
Kirstin Drexler
Stephen Driskell



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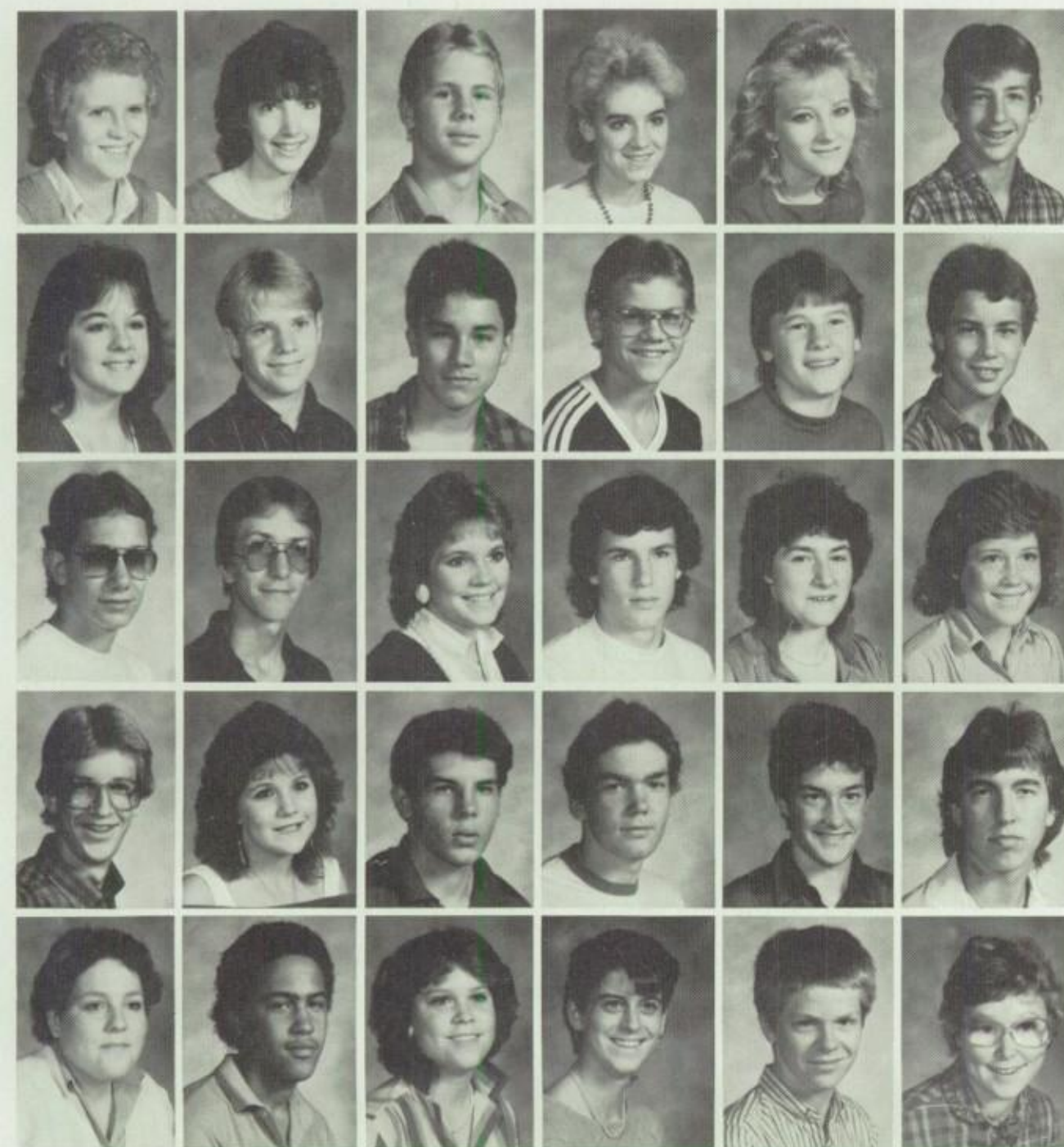


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Branden Effland
Brian Ehlers
Mark Ehlers
Michelle Ellenberg



Wende Elliot
Martin Ellison
Kimberly Engel
Carrie Engholm
Shawn Entsminger
Charles Erritt





Susan Fahrenkrug
Gwen Farley
James Farley
Joy Farley
Tricia Fenn
Christopher Fennely

Tracy Ferrel
Todd Figanbaum
Freddie Fillers
Edwin Finney
William Follis
Mark Fortenbocher

Christopher Fortney
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Kimberly Fox
Jaimie Franco
Denise Franklin
Lori Fredrichs

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Brenda Fields
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Teresa Gadiant
Larry Gajeski

Kimberly Gall
Silas Gambelton
Gina Garcia
Stacie Garrow
William Geisse
Amy Gengler

What is the worst thing that has ever happened to you? Death of a relative? Tripping down the stairs?

Sure, those things are pretty rough, but can't you think of anything else? Something that will make one wake up in the middle of the night in a cold sweat? Something that would give a person a good reason not to go outside any more? The answer to all these questions: sophomore drivers.

That's right, boys and girls, anyone can be a sophomore driver as long as the following requirements are met. First, to be a sophomore driver one must be able to accelerate to 100 mph in a fifty-foot space. The next requirement is to be able to drive down a side street and run into all cars, moving or otherwise. The last requirement is to hit every pedestrian, and all telephone poles as well. Sounds like a load of fun? Ah, for the sophomore driver it may be just that, but for others it is the terror of one's worst nightmare.

The sun is shining, the sky is blue, the grass

is green, the trees are budding, and the birds are singing their tiny little hearts out; a seemingly glorious day. Those on the street seem to be average, run-of-the-mill street walkers. Why are they even on the street in the first place? Anyone in this day and age who is in his or her right mind would be holed up in their homes surrounded by radar and artillery at hand. Those who are on the streets are taking their life into their own hands, regardless of the fact that a sophomore driver could jump out of their back pockets and smash them so that they could be folded and slipped into an envelope. This unfortunate incident has happened before and will probably never cease so long as there are insane people and sophomore drivers in this world.

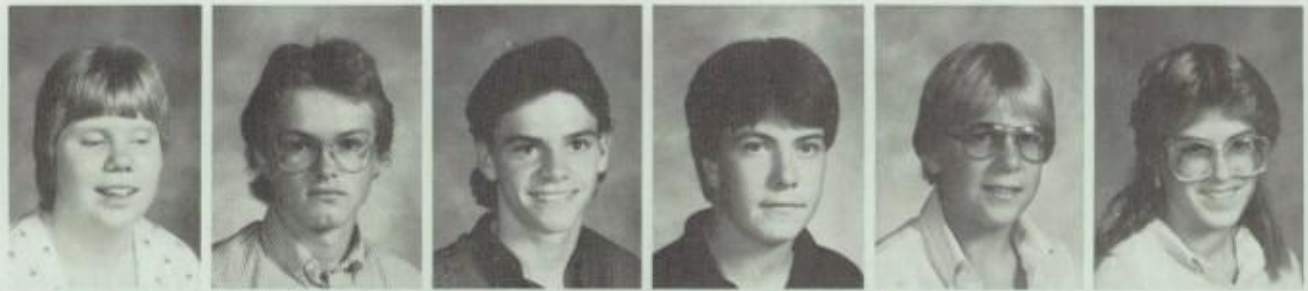
As soon as more sophomore drivers are set loose at the end of each semester, the sane townspeople are holed up in their homes with enough provisions to last for the next three months. If not for the fact that there are many crazy people and even more

sophomore drivers, any weary travelers who are just passing through might think that the Quad-Cities area was dead.

The Quad-Cities people are claiming that inhabitants are moving away because of a bad economy. That, my friends, is not all true. The REAL reason that people are moving may be because they are afraid of being struck and killed by a crazy sophomore driver (hence, the bad economy).

No, my friends, there is not a cure for the sophomore driver. They will always be there when we do not need or want them. Until Rambo (or a prototype) comes along, the sophomore driver will always be invincible. Editor's note: Thanks for being good sports, sophs! (written by D. Herman)

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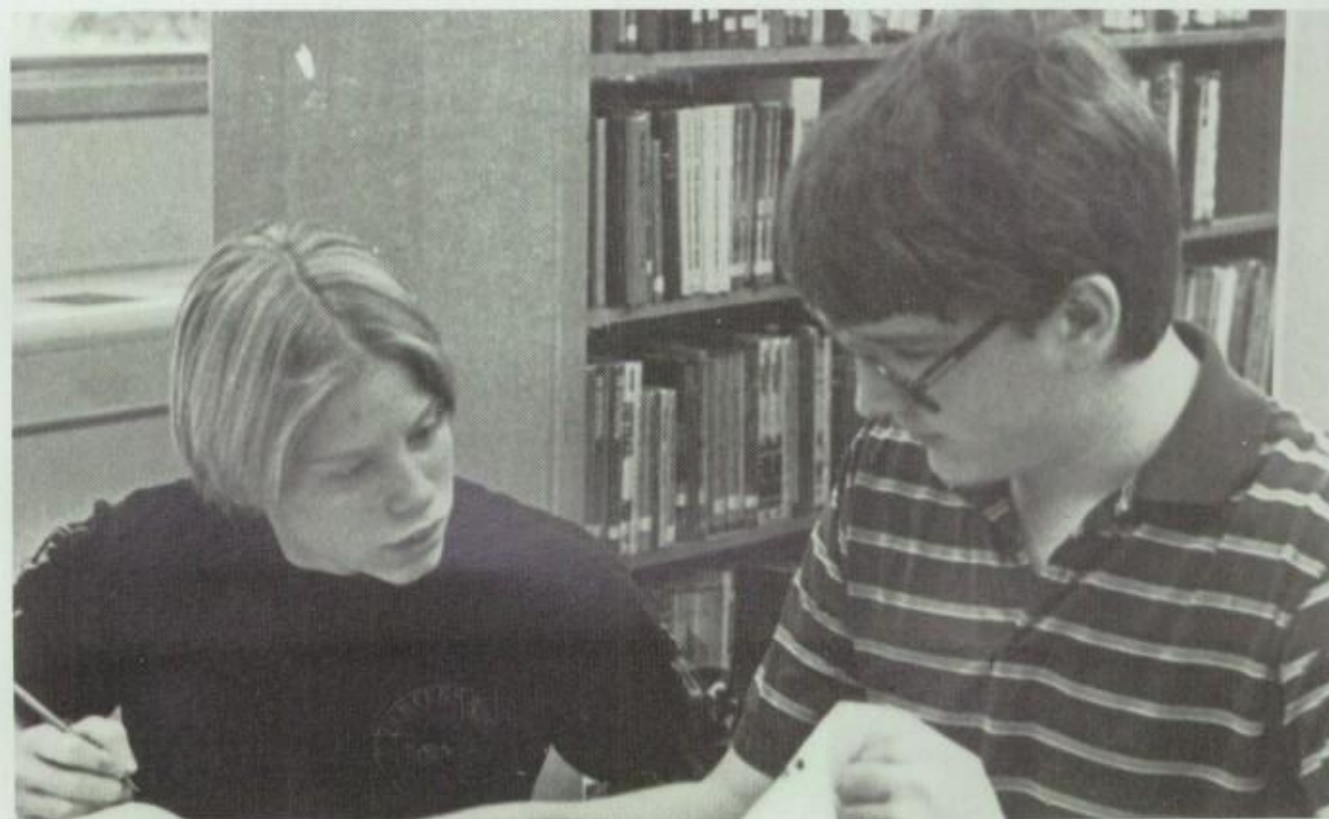
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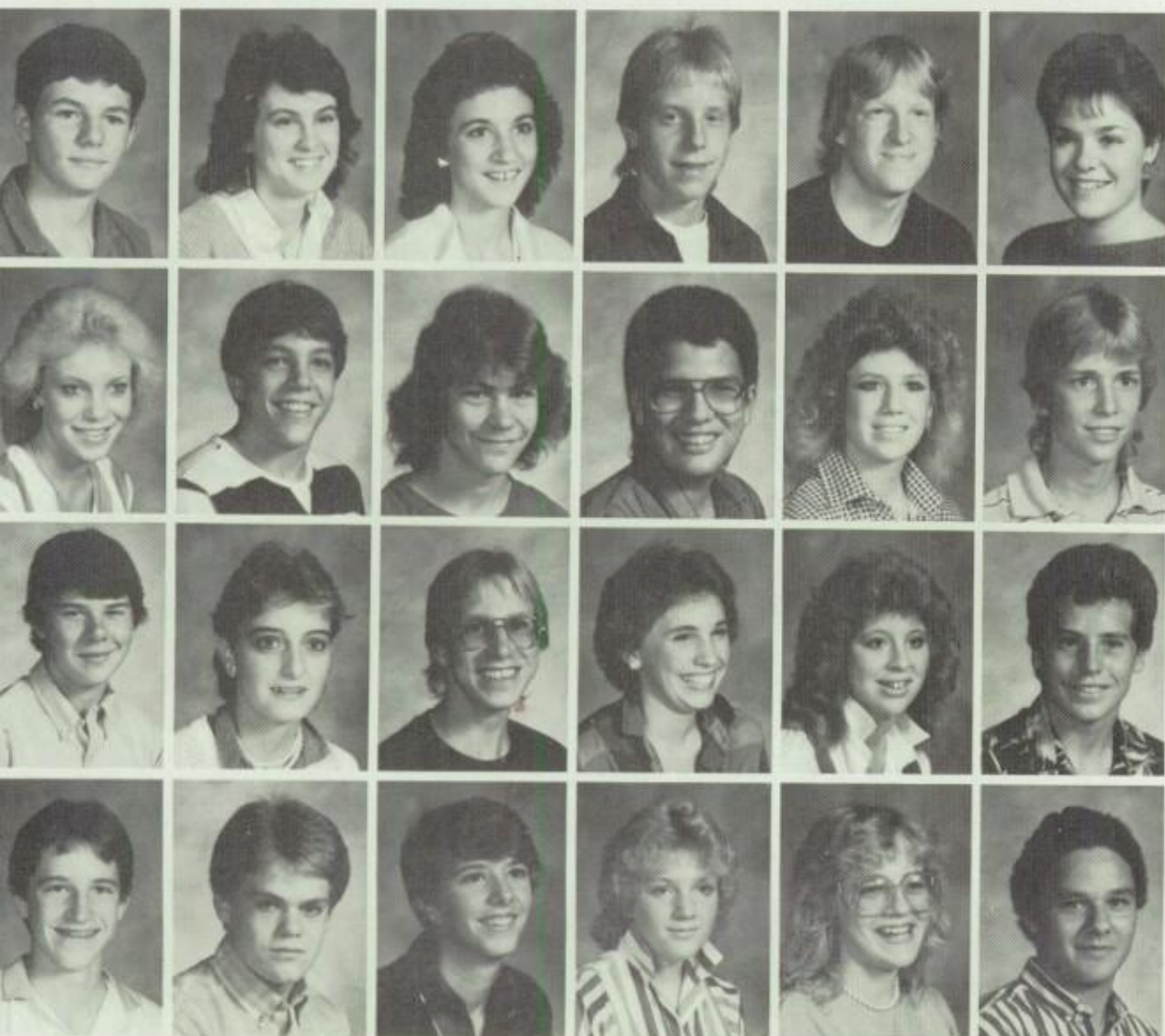


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Gary Halden



Wayne Howard and Chad Dickey, two "typical" sophomores, study in the library. (staff photo)

Fantasy, Disillusionment, and Misconception Clutter Sophomores' Minds



Michael Halferty
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Connie Hammes
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John Harper
Rebecca Harper

Terri Harrison
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Neal Hermiston
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Leslie Hickenbottom
Sheila Hicks
Janet Hildebrant
Harold Hill

Every sophomore who filters into the high school, whether he admits it or not, lives in a fantasy world for quite sometime in the beginning of the year. It is a large part of being a sophomore, and not the fault of the sophomore. Certain attitudes of the school are held by these "newcomers" when they first arrive. Many of them are quickly broken by the administration, teachers, and upperclassmen.

Almost instantly, the sophomores' minds turned to the new freedom they thought they had found. That bubble was burst when the first quarter grades were released. The serious sophomores then began to realize that they had better crack down and watch their step, but the still disillusioned sophomores continued in their efforts to make the year "awesome". Another reoccurring fantasy of sophs was the one about "real" food at West. Older friends or siblings took ultimate mea-

sures to instill into their younger victims' oblivious minds that West's cafeteria abounded in every type of food the soph would ever want. Healthy hamburgers were made out to be luscious and containing just the right amount of grease to make them taste exactly like a McDonald's, Hardee's, or Burger King hamburger.

Quickly catching on to the cruel concoctions of the upperclassmen, the sophs learned to never believe what the upperclassmen swear to be true. When asking a senior where a certain class was, they brilliantly went the opposite way they were told to go and found the class almost immediately. By shrugging off the casual and sometimes brutal comments of the upperclassmen, the sophs were elevated to the status of pre-junior.

(written by J. Wheadon)



Theresa Hinch
Pamela Hobart
Aron Hoelzer
Julia Holst
Allen Honeycutt
Candace Horlas

New Graduation Requirements

Robert Horn
Tamara Horton
Amanda Hotle



Wayne Howard
Steven Howland
April Hudson
Jill Hudson
Anthony Huffman
Preston Hughes



Suzanne Hulsing
Kristen Humphries
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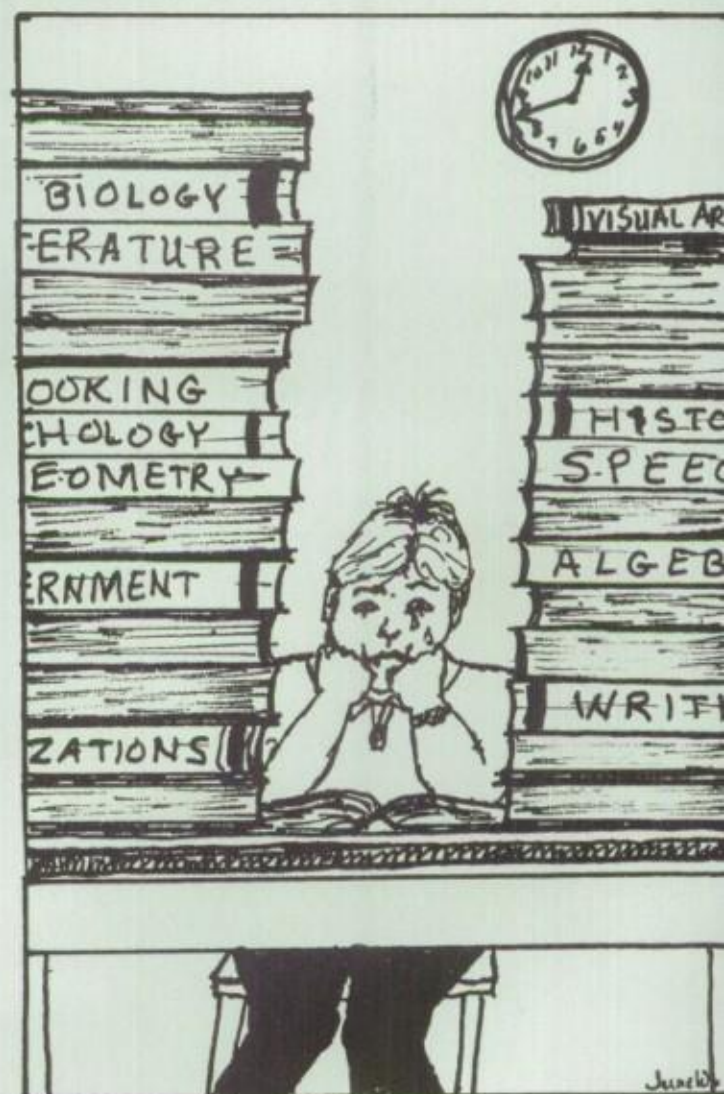
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Create a Variety of Feelings

The last thing this year's sophomores probably thought they needed was higher graduation requirements, but they got them anyway. Not even getting a chance to realize what it was like trying to earn 16 credits, the requirement jumped to what some thought was an impossible and staggering 20 credits. An even more unbearable thought was that 5 of them had to be earned during 10th, 11th, and 12th grade.

With the advanced technology and skill that is demanded of the work force today, it is no wonder the requirement was raised. Students who wished to succeed were slowly being made to accept the fact that to get

anywhere, one had to work for it, and this may have just been the push they need to get the job done.

Higher requirements meant more work for those students who were serious about school; it didn't come easy for many. A common discovery was that not too many classes could be failed if one was to actually earn the 20 credits. For some, it seemed to be a mad dash against time to get matters into shape before even thinking about graduation.

There was no other choice for the sophomores but to grin and bear it; the only thing that kept most going was to think about

graduating and being a little better prepared for college and the job world than the average students of past years. (written by J. Wheadon)



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Laurie Kane
Garret Karman
Tamara Kaucher
Tracey Kaucher
Michelle Kauffman

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Dennis Kelding
Dana Kelly
Patrick Kelly
David Kendoll
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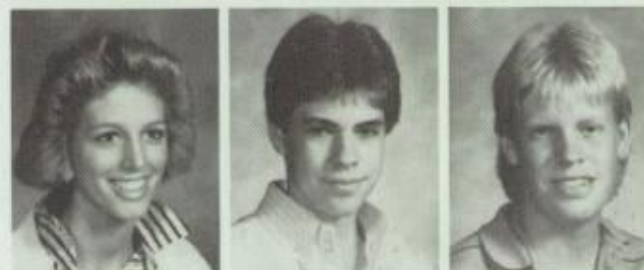
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Robert Martinez



to Voice Their Opinions

Walking through the halls, one could hear the enraged sophomores complaining to one another about the embarrassment and degrading incidents they had experienced. In order to compensate for all the grief they were caused, the "Shaheen" staff decided to give the sophomores a chance to voice their complaints. A questionnaire was distributed to 75 indignant sophomores.

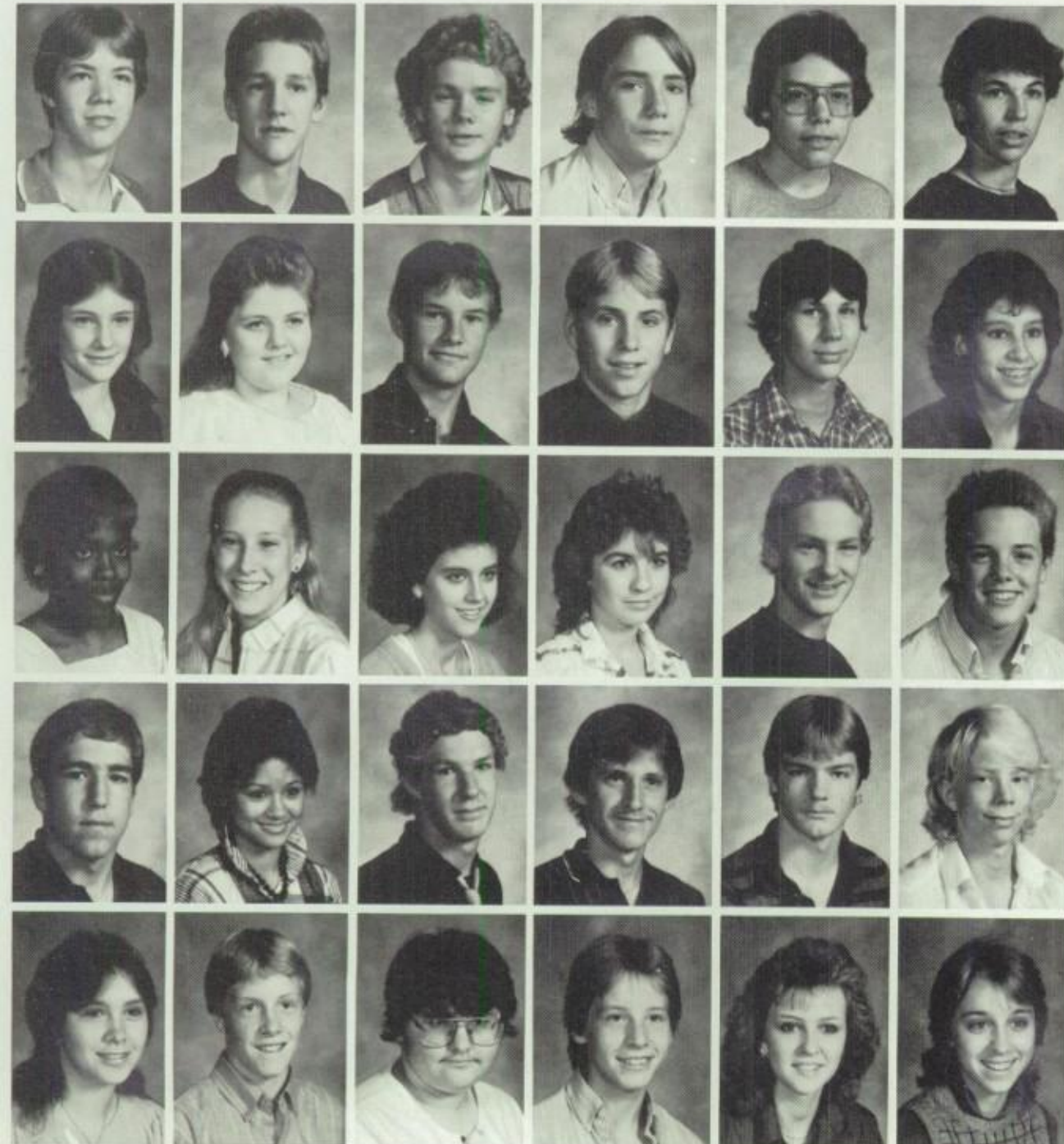
One of the questions asked was, "What do you think of West?" A variety of answers came in, and the replies were mostly positive. Some were unusual also.

Kelie Johannsen thought West was, "Unpredictable!" though she did not elabo-

rate; and Raquel Singer stated, "I like the school spirit, but it needs an open campus."

The remaining questions consisted of asking their opinion about the upperclassmen, the new requirements, and revenge plans for next year's sophomores. Summing up the question about upperclassmen, the general consensus was that they were usually cruel and unfair. Most sophomores felt that the new requirements were too demanding and they also expressed their concern about actually being able to earn the full 20 credits. One outstanding discovery was that most of the sophomores plan on forgetting they were ever a sophomore and let the next group of

sophs know exactly where they stand on the social ladder at West. No mercy for those '89 graduates! (written by K. Adomat and J. Wheadon)



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John Masengarb
Michael Mathwig
Tony Matthide
Christopher McAllister
Anthony McColester

Kimberly McConnell
Shannon McCrindle
Matthew McCullough
Randall McDermott
Michael McFadden
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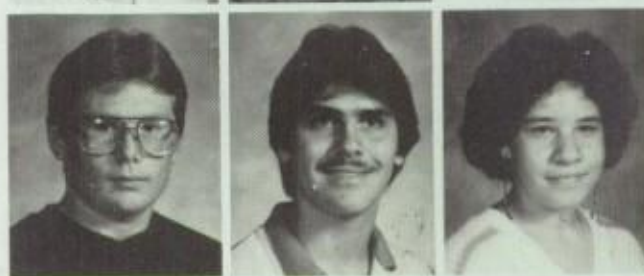


FIRST ROW: Nancy Spillers, Tiffany Phillips, Kris Gruenhagen, Heather Krum, Michelle Clearman, Kris Knutson, Karen Adomar, Julie Holst, Pam Moorehead, and Connie Lawson. SECOND ROW: Shawn Entsminger, Chuck Martin, Kurt Ockleman, Brian Nagle, Pam Griffith, Shawn Lafrenz, and Matt McCullough.

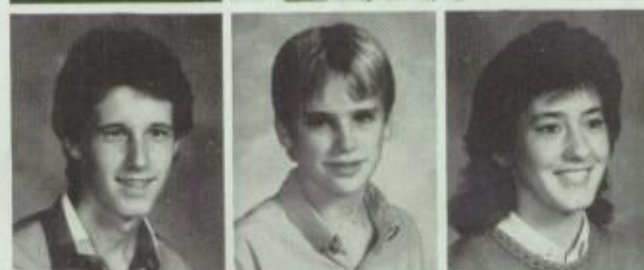
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Rebecca Nissen



The pit orchestra plays an important role in every musical. Through the overture, the orchestra helps to set the mood for the show. The overture music hints as to what type of show it will be, whether it is happy, silly, sad, or mysterious. The overture also familiarizes the audience with the songs they will be hearing during the show.

During scene changes, the orchestra plays so the audience does not have to sit in the silent dark listening to the sets being moved. The scene change music may also be used as a kind of conclusion of the preceding scene by playing music from a song performed during the scene.

Of course, the most recognized purpose of the orchestra is to play during the songs in the show. Whether playing dances or songs that are sung, the orchestra accompanies the actors performing on stage. The orchestra gives cues for singers and dancers during the songs.

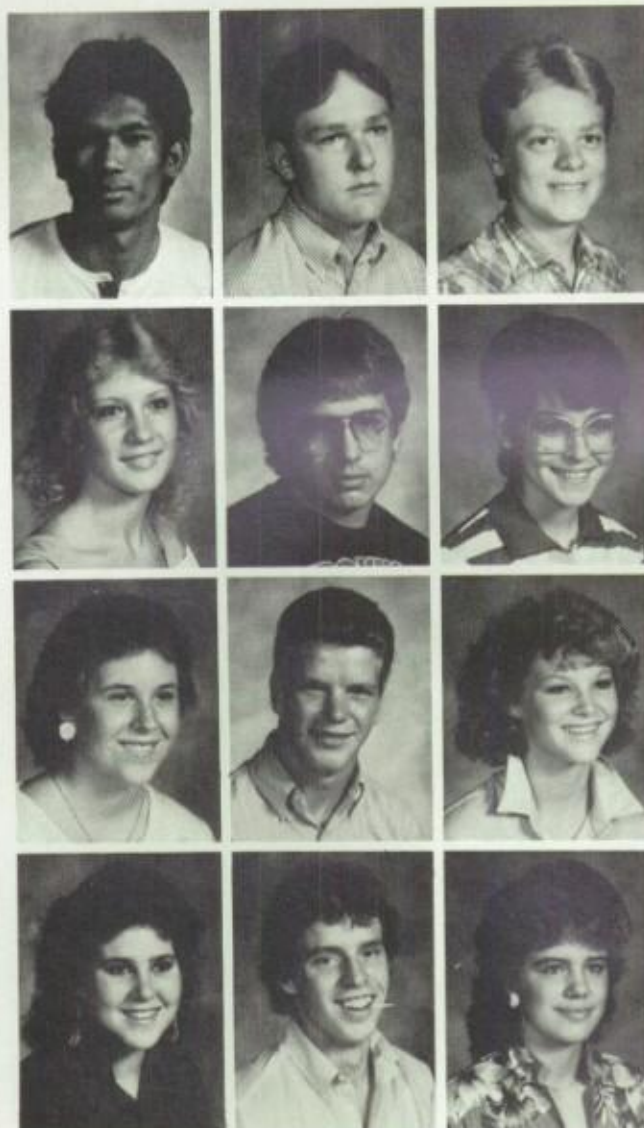
Even though the pit orchestra is sometimes overlooked, it plays several important parts in a musical performance. The orchestra sets the mood for the show in the overture, plays during scene changes, and accompanies the performers on stage. (written by H. Petersen)

Technical Crew: The Unsung Heroes



FIRST ROW: Arlene Wellendorf, Robin Shuck, Everre Reed, Diane Kunkel, Heidi Peterson, Becki Greenwalt, Lesa Biles, and Tracy Owens; SECOND ROW: Steve Danielson, Karl McIntosh, Eric Willroth, Joan Spencer, Donnie Montega, Amanda Behning, JD Greenwalt, Kris Ericson, Shawna Jacobson, Penni Wagner, Michelle Marxen, and Kelli Oetzel

Walking out of the theatre, the show still fresh in our minds. "Wow, what a performance; that was an excellent lighting job!" How many times have we heard that? Probably never. But think, if there were no lights, how would we see the performance? If there was no sound, how could we hear the performance? The select few behind the scenes who are skilled in the technical aspects of the theatre have total control over the show. If they do not like a scene, there do not have to be lights brought up; if the techies want to watch the set change, the lights may never be brought down. If they want someone in the light, they are; if they do not the actor is not. One switch does it all! How many people in the school have this power? Four come to mind. Remarkable—four people out of over 2,000 know how to make or break a show. (written by J. Leslie)



Saroeun Nop
Douglas Norris
Jeff Norton

Tracie Norton
Daniel Nosa
Suzanne Nykoluk

Keri Ochs
Kenneth Ockerman
Ronnette Oehlke

Frannie Oetzel
Donald Ogden
Kimberly Ogden

One of the Many Problems

Mitchell Olsen
Marc Onken
Daren Ott
Dan Ousley
Lonny Paasch
Alida Lee Parker



Jennifer Parr
Gary Patrick
Larry Patrick
Dawn Paulsen
Sean Paustian



James Pecoraro
Troy Peele
Melanie Peterson
Kenny Petersen
Cheryl Pierce



Carol Pierson
Jeanne Pittman
Shawn Potsander
Shawn Pridemore
Joseph Proske



Laura Quarton
Jeffrey Radloff
Tami Ragan
Angela Ralfs
Nicole Rauch
Aaron Ray



John Ray
Mark Ray



Rhonda Raymond



Everette Reed
Donna Reicks



a Sophomore Encounters



Amy Reyes
Tricia Rice
James Richardson
Lisa Ricketts
Terry Ricketts
Betri Ridenour



Michael Ridenour
William Rieck
Christine Rife
Jonathan Rios
Eric Roberts



Matthew Rodriguez
Russel Rodriguez
Sherry Rodriguez
Kevin Rommel
Lester Ross
Tamara Ross



Keith Rossmiller
Kevin Rossmiller
Kimberly Roth
David Roy
Kerry Ruhl



Christopher Russel
Jeffrey Ryan
Christopher Rymars
Tracy Sabin
Melissa Samberg
Shelly Sanders

He walks down a large unfamiliar corridor in a huge building. All around him are people staring at him and making fun of anything he does...Suddenly, he woke up in cold sweat. It felt so real but it was only a horrible nightmare...but this nightmare was a horrible reality. People who commonly suffer from this nightmare were known as sophomores.

Of course, as a sophomore he received all of the jokes and wisecracks along with that confused and frustrated feeling of the first day at school. But all of a sudden a new problem arose to make his life really miserable.

Dating was a touchy subject for him. Even if he overcame the problem of finding someone to go out with, that was just the beginning. Secondly, he faced the problem of how he and his date were going to get around. Since he did not yet have his license, driving was out of the question. So it ended up that Mom or Dad would have to take him and his date around. That was probably one of the most degrading forms of transportation

on this earth. Having a parent take them rated right up there with a garbage truck for transportation.

At last, everything was set up. Then the worst part of the date had to be faced. Casually the sophomore walked up to the door and rang the bell. She opened the door, and her parents were sitting in front of the T.V. After introducing himself he sat down. He was on the verge of fainting from fright. Immediately the girl's mother glanced at him and rushed out to the kitchen. To do what? Nobody knew—to run a police check on him, possibly? He turned his attention to the girl's father. The man sat staring at him as if he had just stepped out of the Black Lagoon.

Finally, after several delays the chauffeur parent started to honk, and it was time to go. "Have a good time," he heard, but the look on her father's face said, "Touch our daughter and we will hunt you down."

He soon learned that dating was more expensive than he thought. His life savings of \$13.50 had disappeared and before he knew

it, Mom was waiting outside in the car to go home. He walked the girl to the door. She shook his hand and said she had a good time. As he drove off with his Mom, he saw the girl watching him from a window of her house.

Monday morning came. It was time to go back to school. Today there was the anticipation of seeing the famous date once again. But as soon as he entered the door he was met with the fact that the date of his dreams had dumped him for a junior...Life would go on...He could always look forward to his days as a junior...a senior... (written by T. Figanbaum)

Twins Flourish

Kurt Sarich
Treanna Schoab
Barbara Sclobach
Michael Schmell
Jennifer Schrader
Robert Schroeder



Lillian Schletz
Todd Schopp
Jyne Schweer
Joseph Schwitzer
Michael Seebeck
Sean Sehmman



Terry Shie
Brian Shields
Lisa Shoemaker
Cordia Short
Julie Shulz
Gene Simatovich



Melvin Sims
Raquel Singer
Jill Six
Treva Slack
Peter Sliwa
Debra Smith



Peggy Smith



Roxanna Smith



Lisa Snider



Scott Snider



Larry and Gary Patrick, who's who? (photo by J. Morrissey)

n Sophomore Class



Julie Snyder
Leah Soenke
Bret Spurbel
Andrew Spencer
Jennifer Spencer
Joan Spencer

Randall Speth
Jo Ann Spidle
Paul Springer
Lori Squire
Wendy Stalder
William Steele

Sallie Steinoff
Craig Steining
Seth Stockman
Tracy Stroefen
Shelly Stone
Darin Storjohann

Susan Strader
Duncan Strause
Daryl Strayer
Jill Strohbehn
Marc Struder
Dewayne Summage

Susan Summonds
Amy Tate
Jo Alice Tate
Theresa Taylor
Caroline Teel
Amy Telsrow

This year at West there were two sets of twins: one set was Larry and Gary Patrick.

Larry and Gary Patrick were born thirty minutes apart. Larry was the child expected to be born first, but when Gary arrived the delivery nurse helped name him.

The twins are not the only sets in their family. They have cousins, Kathy and Karen Patrick, who are also twins and attended West in the '80-'81 year. Their father was also a twin. And ironically their neighbors, Jim and John Poy, are twins and graduated from West in 1985.

Larry and Gary have what they call a "normal" brother relationship. At times they find themselves answering to the other's name. Their mom used to dress them the same but found it hard for her to tell them apart. As they grew older and started picking out their own clothes, they began to look different. The only similarity they share is that they are both trying to grow mustaches.

Once during the school year Larry and Gary switched classes. They believed it would

have worked and both said, "It would have worked if our classmates wouldn't have told!"
(written by D. Cunningham)

Sar Theavy
Joseph Thibodeaux
Darrel Thomas
Timothy Thomas
Daniel Thompson
Matthew Thompson



Eric Thorberg
Heather Timmerman
Gary Tone
Bradley Treiber
Staci Treiber
Veronica Trevino



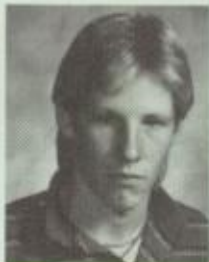
Jonathan Troxell
Robert Tucker
Samuel Turney
Scott Uhrich
Dee Ann Underwood
Kristine Vannice



David Vasold
Teresa Vastine
Elias Villalpando
Elizabeth Vogt
Victoria Wagner
Douglas Waite



Jamey Walker
Ricky Wallace
Tim Wallace
Gina Walsh
Ginger Walsh
Jeff Walron



Anthony Ward
David Ward
Elizabeth Wardlow
Kimberly Watters
Brian Wells
Laura Wendland



Melissa Wentworth
Matthew Wheeler
Stephanie Wheeler
Michelle White
Tracy White
Majorie Wickham



Patrick Wilcox
Kelli Willert
David Williams
Heather Williams
Leetonia Willingham
Linda Willis

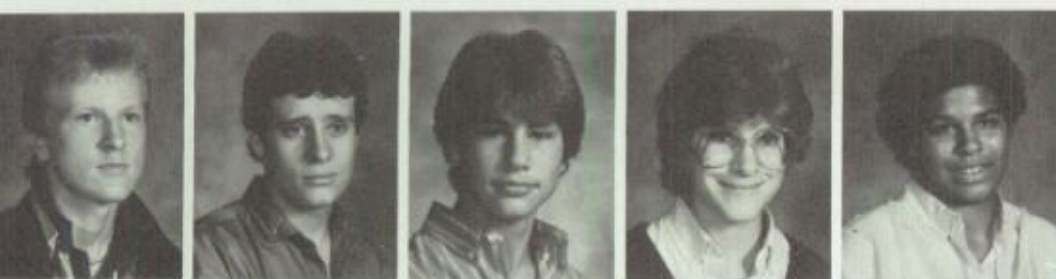


Students Not Pictured

Michael Abbott
Daniel Allen
Edward Almandinger
Hope Baker
Michael Baker
Michael Barnes
Tori Bates
Douglass Beasley
Mark Boomershine
Donald Bradley
John Brady
Joe Bridges
Jimmie Buchman
Kent Cesler
Dana Claeys
Jeannie Claussen
David Conner
Steven Daniels
Richard Dawson
Darren Dobbs
Roy Eaker
Murray Estell
Kevin Gentry

Dale Gonzales
Melissa Harris
Mildred Hartley
Michael Herbert
Lisa Hofeldt
Brent Hoon
Willis Hughes
Tina Hunter
Doyne Hurlbut
Amy Kanakares
Rachel Knutsen
Richard Lang
Pauline Leese
Brent Linnenkamp
Victoria Lopez
Suor May
Tina McFadden
Matthew Marrow
Thuy Nyugen
Dawnell Parr
Chee Peng
Cynthia Riendeau
Robert Riendeau

Ronnette Roehlke
Theavy Sar
Julie Shulz
Jayne Schweer
Eric Sexton
Brian Shealy
Douglas Sheeder
Michele Sierra
Peggy Smith
James Springer
Kristie Strader
Anthony Teague
Lisa Thede
Cindy Tobin
Richard Vannoy
Nicole Weinberger
Tracy West
Penny Williams
David Yates
Carla Zier



Eric Willroth
Todd Wilson
Mike Wink
Renee Wolf
Marie Womble



Mary Woods
Jason Wooten
Gina Wright
Warren Wright
Jeffrey Wulf

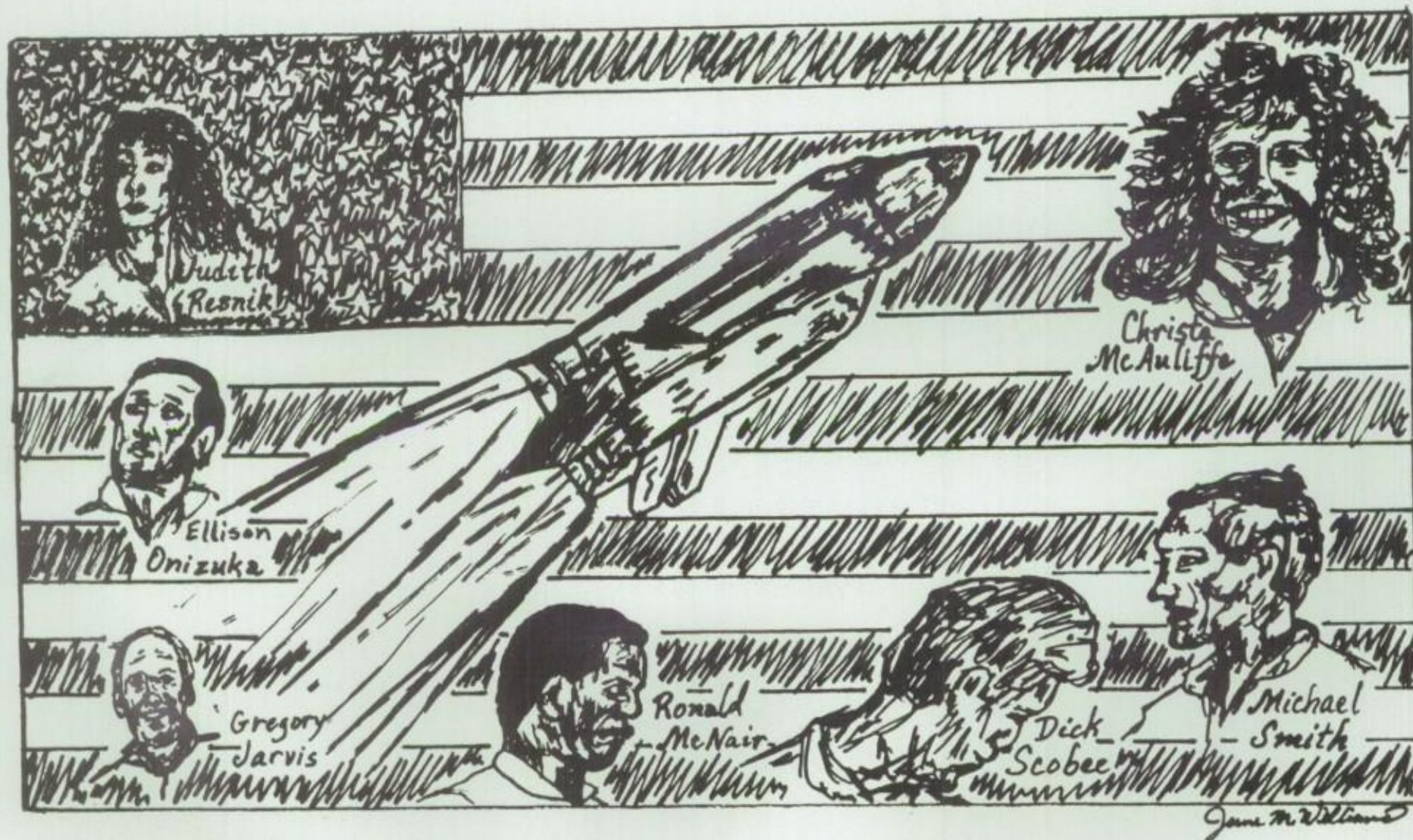


Susan Wulf
Jason Young
Michelle Yoke
Gary Yone
Gary Zastrow

“We have a report from the flight dynamics offices that the vehicle has exploded.”

—NASA transmission, 11:40 a.m.,

January 28, 1986



Key questions remain in shuttle tragedy

Why?

Was shuttle too cold?

Subs hunt for crew cabin

A

Nation

Mourns

Tears for the Challenger

Crew's words live on

"When you find something you really like to do and you're willing to risk the consequences of that, you really probably ought to do it."

**— Challenger astronaut
Francis R. Scobee**

Will we trust NASA again?

Peculiar flame on film

Reagan says astronauts' dream to live on

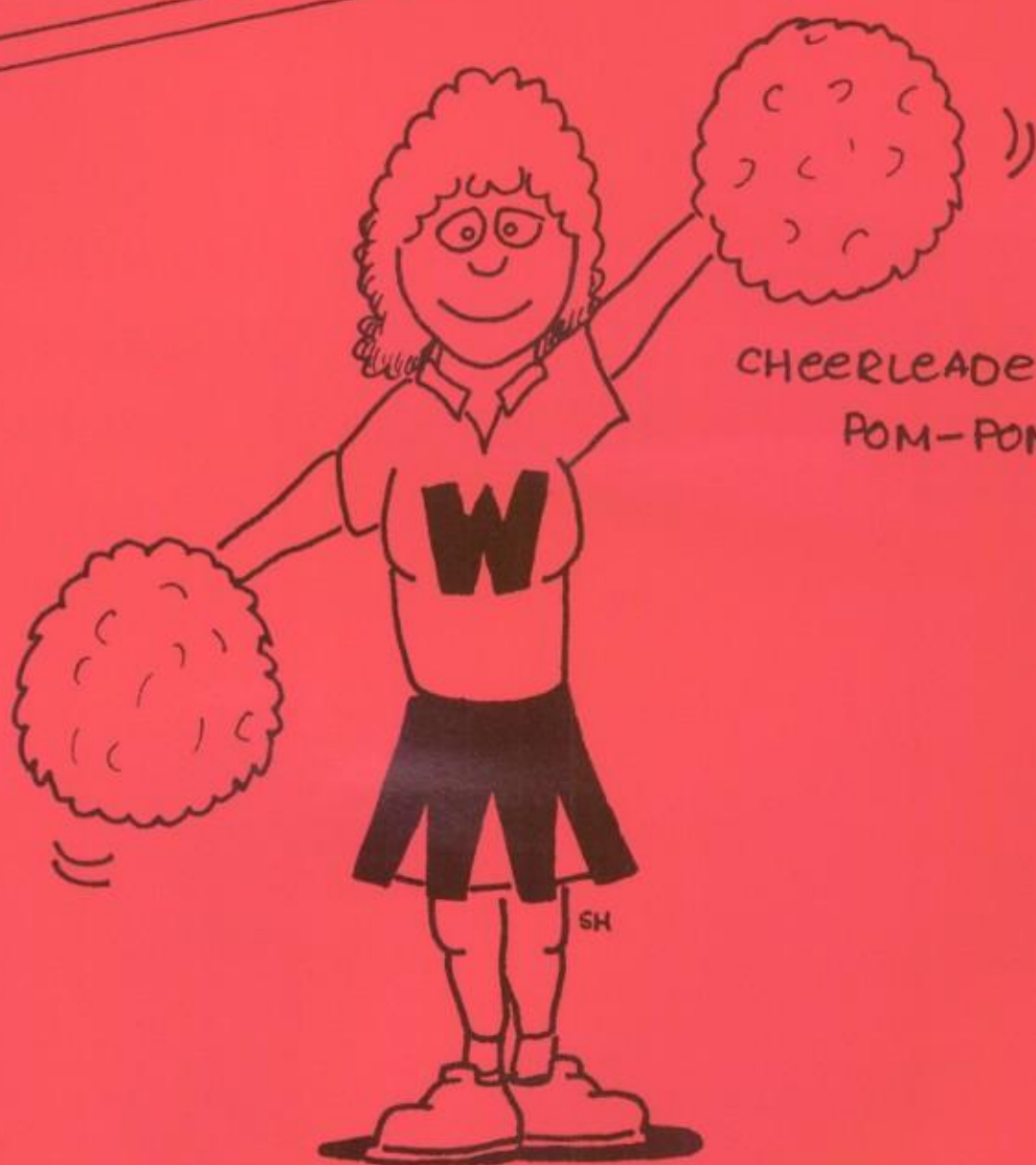
Students may suffer special pain

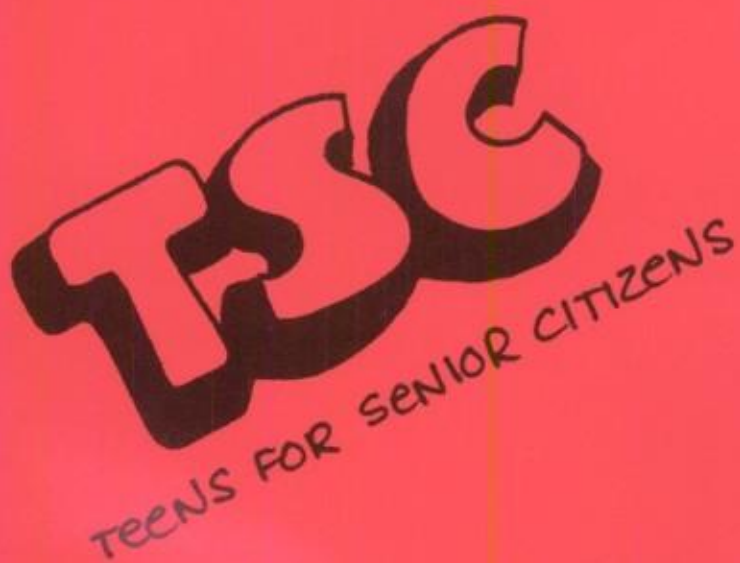
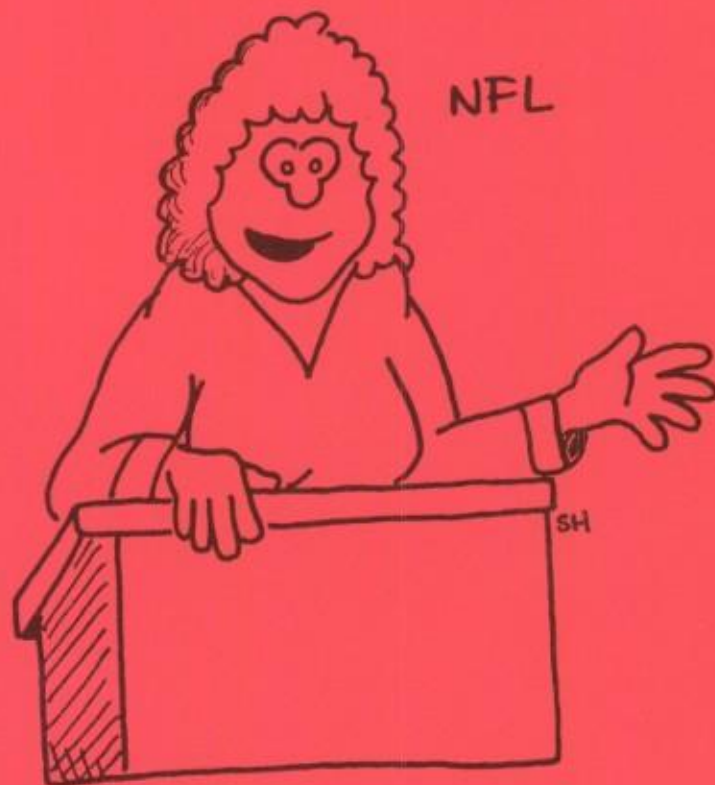
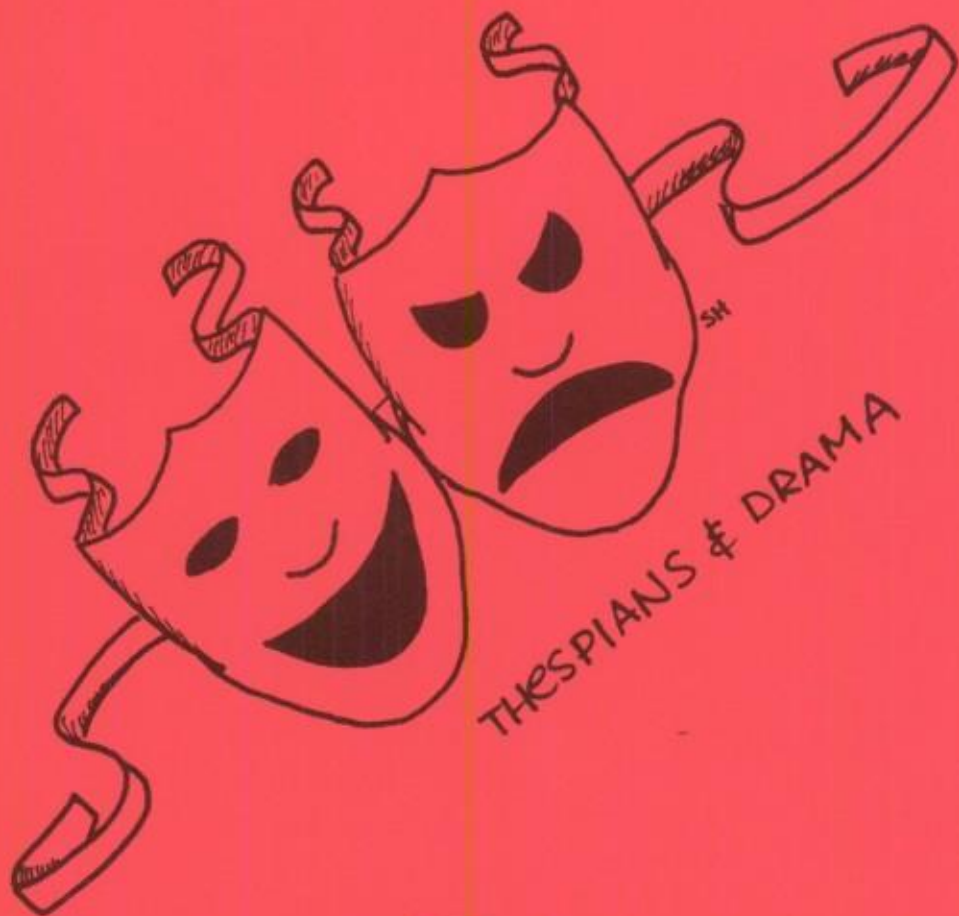
Still saying good-bye

GAA

GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

ORGANIZATIONS





Pub People Preserve Precious Memories

Staying up late and working extra hard is what being on the yearbook or newspaper staff was all about. Both publications required much dedication and time, but this was what made them interesting and worthwhile.

For the first time, newspaper and yearbook lab classes were offered for academic credit. Students who put in this extra time at school covering school events were generally pleased to see the courses gain recognition.

Being part of a school publication was not all hard work. This year the newspaper staff had a picnic at West Lake, and a Christmas party at Happy Joe's. The yearbook staff began their year with a pool party, and went to the new Rocky Rococo's for their Christmas celebration. The year concluded with the annual banquet in May.

Both staffs worked diligently to produce worthwhile publications. The newspaper came out every other week with exciting stories and information that affected the school's atmosphere. Sometimes the paper's deadline required students to work as late as 11 pm and to be at school bright and early for distribution. Yearbook students gave up sleeping late on Saturday mornings, and often worked until 8 pm in the evenings to meet deadlines.

So these people who had dark circles under their eyes, fell asleep in class, or even skipped a day now and then to catch up on their sleep were sometimes the faithful workers in the pub. Pub people were students who wrote down and photographed the school spirit and defined it in a meaningful way. (written by L. Meyer)



Taking a closer look, Nate Smith, '86, and Kevin Bracker, '86, search for the perfect picture. Their sports page deadline is creeping up on them. (staff photo)



Heidi Petersen, '87, with all her theatrical talent and joy, tries diligently to urge people to buy their yearbooks by making it look more noticeable and announcing it louder. (staff photo)



FIRST ROW: Heidi Petersen, Todd Eiganbaum, Karen Adomat, Cathy Guske, Michelle Parker, and Andrea Haywood. SECOND ROW: Tammy Zinger, Diane Kunkle, Kevin Bracker, Debbie Hoepner, Delta Delta Bunny, Judy Wheado, Lisa Snider, Chris Ott, and Nate Smith. THIRD ROW: Dawn Zastrow, Pam Eis, Bridger Foley, and Brent Anderson. (photo by K. Redeker)



Amanda Behning, '87, and Lori Meyer, '87, can still find the time to smile behind every grunt and groan as they finish their layouts for the yearbook deadline. (photo by J. Morrissey)

Debbie Hoepner, '86, this year's "Beak n' Eye" Editor-in-Chief, summons her layout talent to make sure that everything is in tip top shape before sending the paper to the printer. (photo by B. Jensen)



Judy Wheadon, '86, "Shaheen's" Editor-in-Chief puts her own copy in the computer for a deadline that threatens to spoil an upcoming weekend. (staff photo)

Down Zastrow, '86, busy Sports Editor of the "Shaheen", still finds the time to teach the ropes to sophomore Theresa Hinch. (staff photo)



Student

Paul Doerrfeld, '86, races across the finish line in a mad rush to make the best time for the tricycle race during the homecoming season. (photo by J. Morrissey)



Veronica Travino, '88, hides her face with embarrassment for she realizes her most embarrassing moment is really rough during the pet sale of Charity Week. (staff photo)

Senate

Troy Mullenburg, '86, takes another fall during the pep rally for the Assumption. (staff photo)

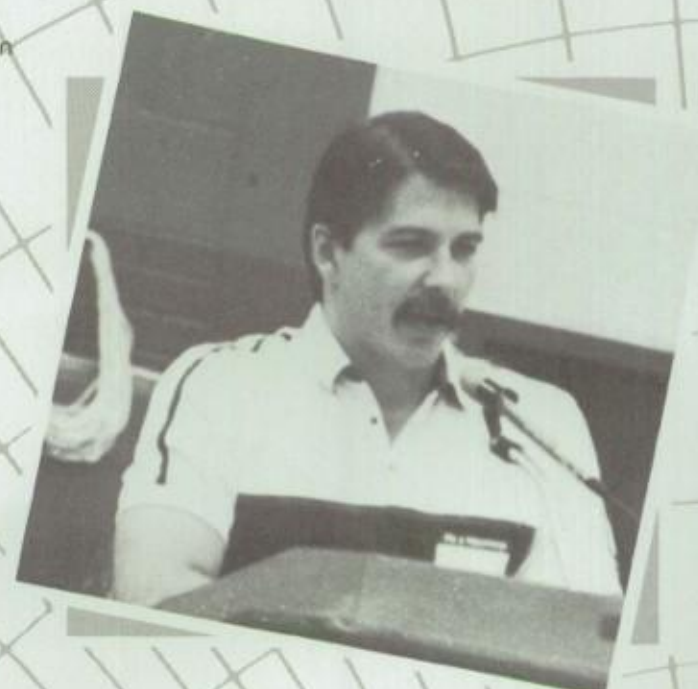
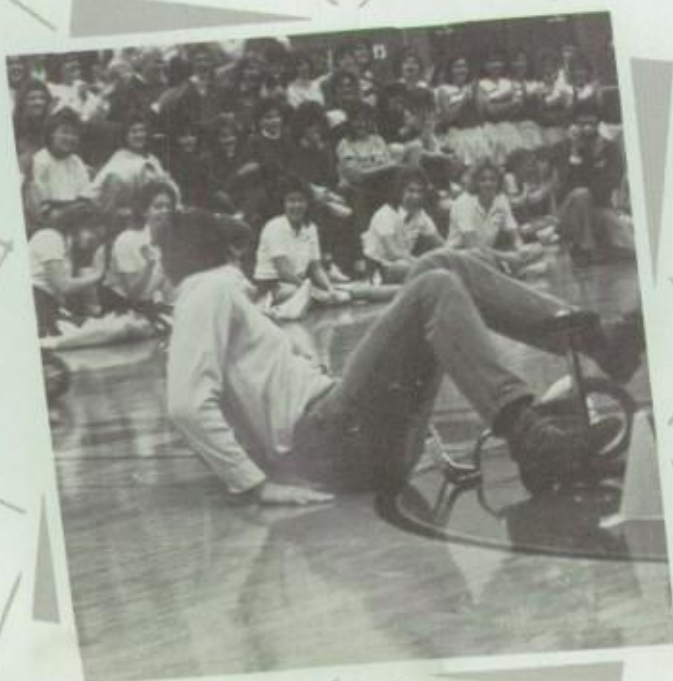


Mrs. Larchow dresses correctly for the special occasion of Nerd Day during Spirit Week. (staff photo)

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The guest speaker for Charity Week talks to the Student body about the problems of Spina Bifida. (staff photo)

It Fun





FIRST ROW: Julian Gutierrez, and Bridger Foley. SECOND ROW: Chad Singer. THIRD ROW: Troy Mullenburg, Tom Hernandez, Mike Burger, Stina Sunstedt, Kim Ludtke, Wendi Elliot, Laura Bragg, and Laura Tierjen. FOURTH ROW: Dennis Blaser, Jeno Berta, David Gajeski, Phil Iverson, Todd Carruthers, Traci Harris, Veronica Travino, Jenell Arnold, Julie Loken, Dawn Blaser, Pam Montgomery, Brian Flick, and Pat Allen. (photo by D. Kunkle)



Members of the Student Senate listen attentively to the discussion and ideas that will make the next event even more fun for the whole student body. Senate met 4th hour Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. (photo by D. Kunkle)

Student Senate started off the school year with preparations for Homecoming '85. The theme for the couples was "Glory Days." It was held on October 24 in the West High cafeteria. Senate's new adviser, Mrs. Mary Jane Andrews, thought that Homecoming, "was a grand success with hard-working Senators doing their jobs." After the Homecoming events were over, Senate began plans for Charity Week. During the week, Senate served a meal at the Salvation Army, and raised money for this year's charity, Spina Bifida. A pet auction, MGM Guess, a best legs contest, and dance were held and \$1,054.68 was raised for Spina Bifida.

In an attempt to boost school spirit, Senate sponsored Spirit Week from February 3-7. Each day of the week was a different dress day with a different theme. The purpose of the week was also to promote attendance at extra-curricular activities. After the boys' basketball game on Friday, Senate sponsored a dance to wrap up the week.

Throughout the year, Senate organized the pep auds that recognized the school's athletes, promoted school spirit, and attendance at the games and meets.

The officers for Senate were elected by the student body at the end of the school year of '84-'85. **Jenell Arnold**, '86 was President, **Pam Montgomery**, '86 Vice President, **Stina Sunstedt**, '86 Secretary, and **Julie Loken**, '86 Treasurer. Jenell's feelings towards this year's Senate activities were: "Student Senate, as usual, contained some great students who worked hard to make many activities run smoothly. We hoped to make West a better place to be and we believe we achieved that goal."

(written by L. Calhoun and B. Foley)

They Said It!

In today's society the competition is tough, and when we look at NFL we can see just how tough it really is. No, we are not looking at the National Football League, but at the National Forensic League.

NFL, otherwise known as speech and debate, began its season in September. As the season moved on students strove to become the best they could be. Through hard work inside of class they were able to compete in tournaments. Every weekend students competed with quite a few schools located throughout Eastern Iowa. Some cities visited were Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, Muscatine, and Ottumwa.

Each individual was able to choose the event in which he or she would like to participate. The variety included: Dramatic Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation, Oral Interpretation, Original Oratory, Extemporaneous Speaking, Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Two Person Debate, and Student Congress. Just like everything else, each took a lot of hard work, yet as **Kris Farley**, '87, said, "All the hard work pays off."

In February Districts were held. This qualified students for the National tournament in June. However this was not as easy as it sounded. Students and teachers not only worked hard in order to raise enough money to go to each tournament, but they also worked toward raising enough in order to go to Nationals. Members sold candy bars and coupon books for entry, traveling, and judging fees. They also sold popcorn during football games. One hot fundraiser was the NFL dance. The band, "Satyre", played and a Duke and Duchess was chosen. **Rod Moeller**, '86, was the Duke and **Jenell Arnold**, '86, was the Duchess.

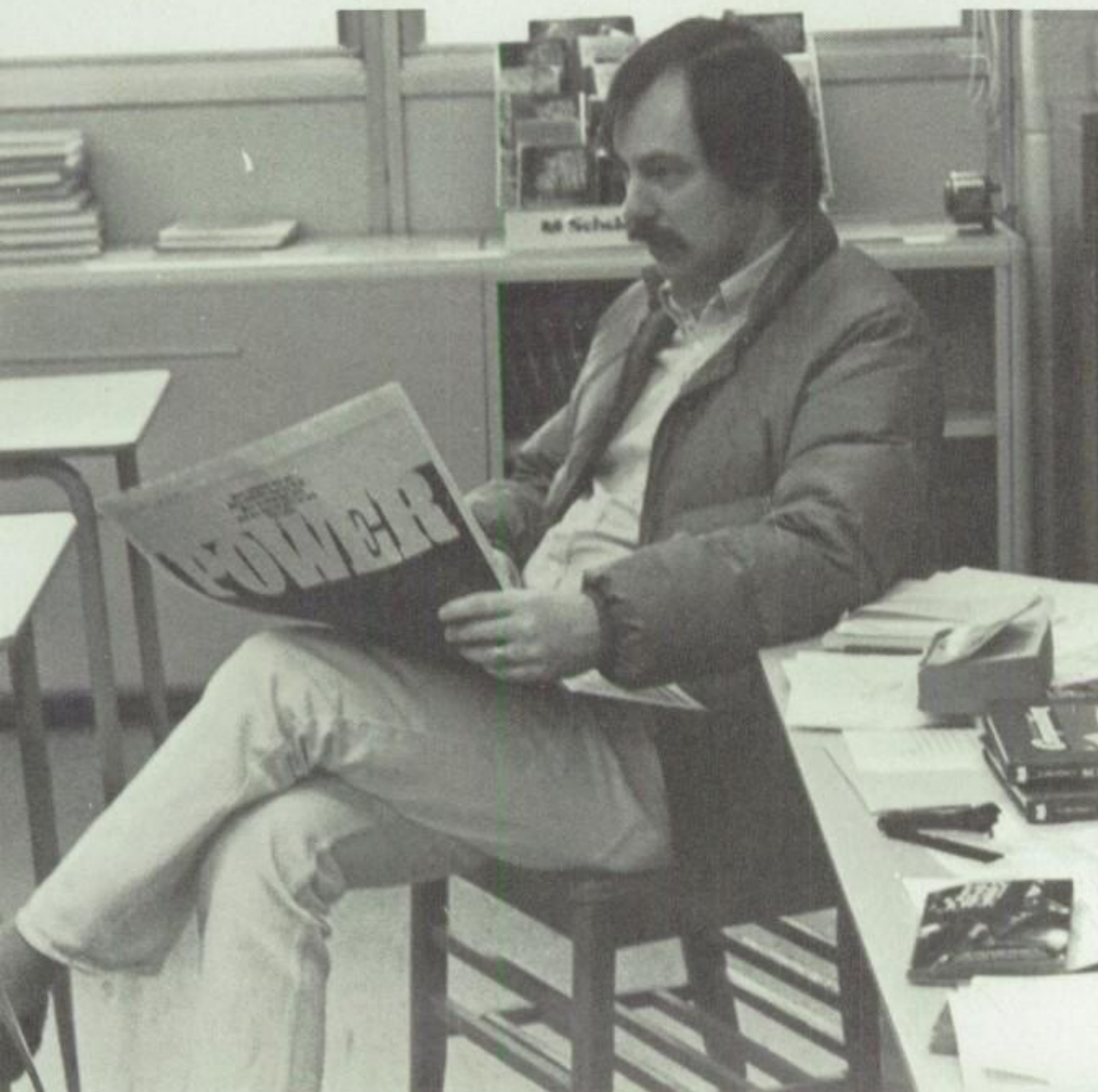
NFL, as one of the oldest clubs in the school, has once again brought honor to West High School. It has helped students climb to height never thought possible before. NFL is one organization that not only helps members improve their ability to speak, think, and debate better, it helps members to retain these abilities in the future. (written by B. Schaffer)

Ryan Cooley, '87, and Mr. Keller discuss smoothing out some of the rough spots of a speech for the upcoming competition. (photo by B. Jensen)



FIRST ROW: Erin Vogt, Kelly Atkinson, Susie Nykuluk, Chris Gruenhagen, Kris Farley, Brenda Schoeffer, Tracy White, and Heidi Petersen. SECOND ROW: Treanna Schoab, Nina Conner, Tracy Owens, Becky Greenwalt, Jenell Arnold, Kathleen Ingwersen, Wendy Walsh, Rhoda Tanner, and Len Guldenpfenning. THIRD ROW: Brian Wells, Chad Asa, Steve Denger, Dave Revelle, Troy Hawley, Michael McCrindle, J.D. Greenwalt, and Russell Rodriguez. FOURTH ROW: Mr. Johnson, Joe Thibodeaux, Rob Schroeder, Ryan Cooley, Ken Ockerman, and Jeff Ryan. Mr. Keller. (photo by B. Jensen)

Futurebowl Offers Separate Challenge



Mr. Krueger discusses some of the current problems shown in the newspaper, and the students try to grasp an understanding of the major world problems. (photo by L. Meyer)

The Gifted and Talented Program, AG-ATE, had a secondary part which was explored by six challenged students. In Futurebowl, students met to explore and brainstorm ideas on a possible future problem.

Futurebowl helped students learn to think creatively and to break down a problem into parts that could be handled more easily. In the process, they developed solutions to the problems, critiqued them and learned to elaborate on major issues. When that portion of Futurebowl was done, the team sent their solutions to a grading judge. Futurebowl practice gave students experience they needed to handle their own district competitions, and it hopefully prepared them for higher competitions, such as state and international meets.

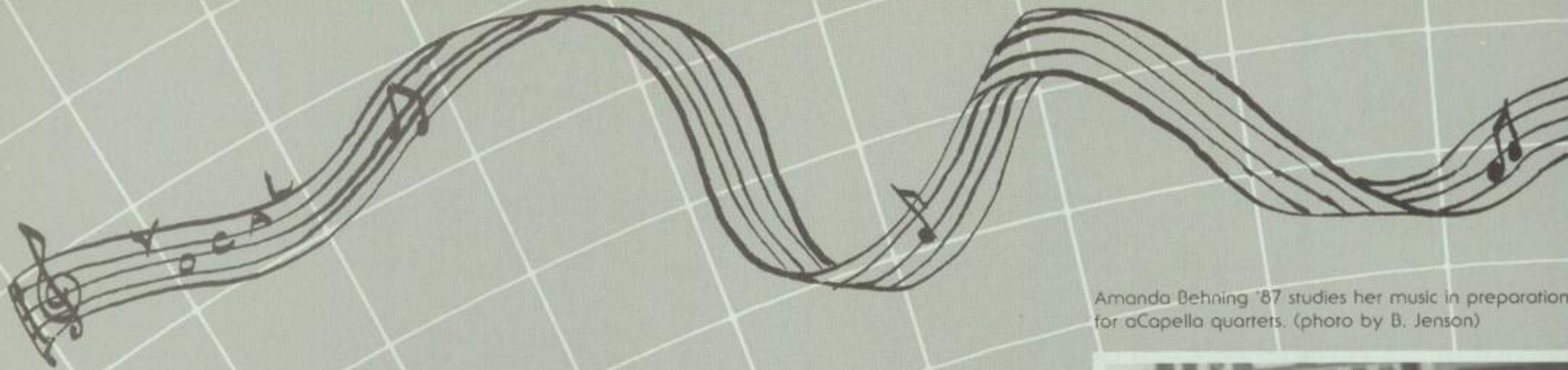
With Futurebowl competition, the gifted and talented student had time to explore alternative problems and to compete in larger competitions beyond just this one particular high school. The students involved agreed that brainstorming on major issues created interesting conversations, allowed for some surprises as different opinions developed, and opened creative minds. (written by L. Pritchard)



Andrea Carruthers, '86 and Tiffany Hansen, '87 listen carefully and decide what and how a problem could be solved. (staff photo)



Tiffany Hansen, '87, concentrates really hard to come up with a solution for one of Mr. Krueger's monster world problems. (photo by L. Meyer)



Amanda Behning '87 studies her music in preparation for aCapella quartets. (photo by B. Jensen)

Perfect Harmony

Down the hallway of West High School one could sometimes hear the aCapella "alleluiaing", the Show Choir "a swinging and a swaying" and other choruses "a singing" their song.

But of course not only did the music or the beat help these students want to sing. Mrs. Ann Houghton, the new vocal director this year, also had a major role. "It was exciting—we had some very talented people, and people who loved it which made it fun to work with them," commented Mrs. Houghton.

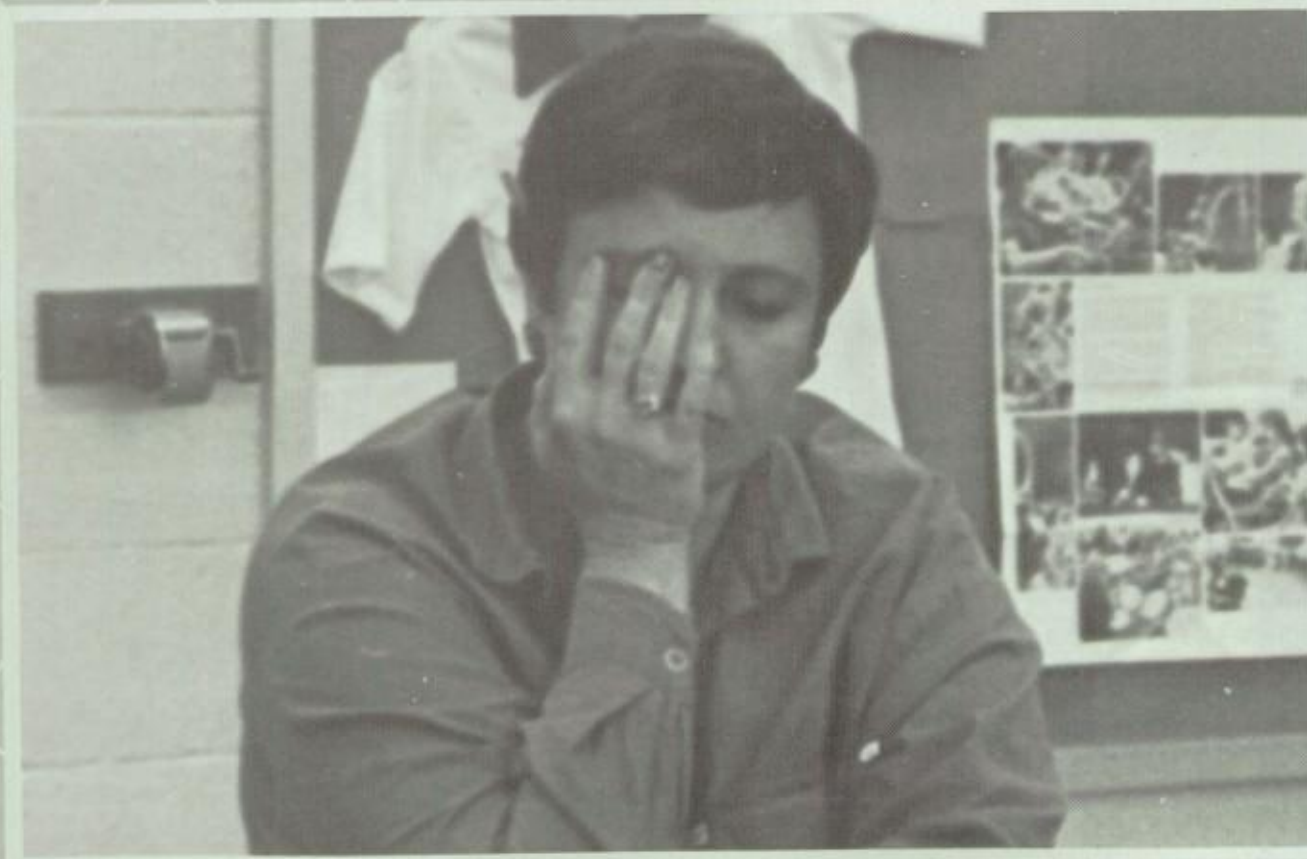
Not only was she the vocal director this year, she also helped the musical to be great success. Linda Grutzmacher '87, said, "She's become like a second mother to us all." Compared to her junior high classes, Mrs. Houghton's high school classes contain fewer students but they had some excellent talent.

Proving their excellence, Julie Lowder '86, Missy Fields '86, and Steve Fisk '86 made All-State.

Even though Mrs. Houghton has helped with the musical and other activities for the Vocal Department, she also had some great dreams. "I hope that we, like any other activity, will have the full support of the student body," expressed Mrs. Houghton.

Not only was Mrs. Houghton behind the students. Parents played a great part in backing the Vocal Department which helped it become a greater success.

The Vocal Department had an important job: it kept the Falcon Spirit in perfect harmony. (written by L. Meyer)



A wrong note at the wrong time was enough to make Mrs. Houghton grimace during choir practice. (photo by B. Jensen)



To improve their excellence each time, students practice their music. (photo by B. Jensen)





Mrs. Houghton helps students sing the correct note. (photo by B. Jensen)



CAPELLA First Row: Dorie Dertmann, Brenda Untiedt, Sonya Vangorder, Julie Lowder, Pamela Ulrich, Kelli Kerry, Michelle Parker, Kris Covert, Sherry Wilmington, Shelly McVay, Ellen Jones, Amanda Behning, Marla Bankson, Melissa Fields and Melinda McFarlin. Second Row: Susan Kay, Rhonda Hartman, Lisa Hoelzer, Rebecca Greenwalt, Michelle Deem, Angela Dorman, Tammy York, Elizabeth Eaves, Ann Schwitzer, Kristine Knutsen, Jamie Leslie, Stephanie Dierrich, Cindy Vernon and Karla Schmieder. Third Row: Pamela Claeys, Larel Redeker, Krista Holmer, Keven Carey, Jeno Berta, Kurt Ockelmann, Samuel Crane, David Gluba, Steven Fisk, Brian Jensen, Joel Westendorf, Stephen Fowler, Jeffrey Dietz, Daisuke Ito, Connie Lawson and Tamara Rettler. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Students practice their music to make their performance better than ever. (photo by B. Jensen)



TREBLE CHOIR First Row: Brend Untiedt, Jenny Brown, Stefani Davis, Wendy England, Molly Bargfield, Carmellro McGinnis and Isabel Mead. Second Row: Shelly McVay, Michele Yoke, Teresa Gadiant, Susan Strader, Amy Brown and Staci Treiber. Third Row: Marjorie Wickham, Kimberly Jeys, Marie Womble, Stacie Garrow, Tracy Leary, Laurel Gillis and Laura Bragg. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



MIXED CHOIR First Row: Amy Gengler, Kristin Klamon, Dina Awbrey, Michele Sierra, Nora Riggs, Lori Wayson, Colleen Lancaster, Jonathan Rios, Daryl Strayer, Randall Strayer, Ricardo Mendez, Tony Willingham, Mark Hurtado, Joyce Bennett, Heather Krum, Diana Moeller, Wendy Buzzell and Rebecca Miller. Second Row: Joann Collett, Martha Calderon, Jayne Schweer, Rebecca McFarlin, Julie Bellman, Laura Eisenbise, Brenda Untiedt, Dennis Herman, Joel Westendorf, Jeff Burns, Steven Danielsen, Susan Nielsen, Michele Nickolas, Heidi Petersen, Lori Zavitz and Kimberly Fox. Third Row: Stephanie Meador, Mary Woods, Diane Williams, Paula Alexander, Kris Myers, Alton Gambleron, Michael Schneider, Willie Lacy, Robert Linz, Michael Wise, Jeff Bainbridge, Gary Zastrow, Eric Becker, Darin Bilkison, Carrie Engholm, Tammy Zinger, Kim Holder, Cathy Bradley. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Chamber Choir FIRST ROW: Krista Holmer, Michelle Deem, Julie Lowder, Melissa Fields and Connie Lawson. Second Row: Kurt Ockelmann, Samuel Crane, Steve Fisk, Kurt Helfter and Stephen Fowler. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Chamber Choir FIRST ROW: Melinda McFarlin, Jonathan Rios, Kelli Kerry, Melissa Fields, Daryl Strayer, Julie Lowder and Jenny Brown. Second Row: Jeff Norton, Marla Bankson, Michelle Deem, Jeffrey Dierz, Amanda Behning, Wendy Buzzell and Dennis Herman. Third Row: Jayne Schweer, Jayce Bennett, Stephen Fowler, Kimberly Hays, Lisa Hoelzer, Joel Westendorf, Tammy York and Rebecca McFarlin. Fourth Row: David Gluba, Karla Schmieder, Paula Alexander, Jeff Bainbridge, Connie Lawson, Susan Kay and Darrin Gilkison. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Students summon up their keenest talents for All-State tryouts (photo by B. Jensen)



S p l a t!



Barbara Brandt, '88, gets her face creamed at the GAA initiation. (photo by B. James)

ownell Parr, '88, and Shelly Stone, '88, find that it is nice
have someone to share the degrading initiation.
hoto by M. Smothers)

GAA Fun Begins!



Amid shrieks of dismay and laughter sophomores were initiated into GAA. Upper-classmen armed with shaving cream, odds and ends of make-up, mustard, vaseline, and maple syrup, bombarded the sophs 'rill they looked like refugees from an off-beat beauty shop. Initiation of the sophomores was the first of many activities organized by the Girls' Athletic Association.

To raise spirit before the football game against Central, GAA organized secret pals for each player. The duty of the pals was often accompanied by cookies or candy. The finale came in a wild display of red and white during the pep aud, where the pals were revealed.

A November meeting was held to choose a theme for GALA with members

asking a date.

Spring brought the annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children and the grandchildren of the faculty. The Merit System of the club is based on points accumulated for participation and meeting attendance. Acknowledgement for those actively involved was given at the awards banquet in the spring.

It took initiative and dedication for members to become involved on their own, to create a club that was fun to be a part of and which provided the student body with lively activities. Laura Tietjen, '87, summed it all up as, "A great way to get a lot of girls with different interests together and create memorable experiences."

(written by B. Speer)



(2) Being reduced to crawling and squirming on the ground, Heather Cockrell, '88, learns a new meaning of embarrassment. (photo by S. Lyle)

(3) Carol Moritz, '86, and Lori Calhoun, '86, show that sophomores are not the only ones to have fun. (photo by S. Lyle)

(4) A pair of sophs demonstrate their table manners. (photo by M. Smothers)

JA Welcomes Students to Succeed on Their Own

Junior Achievement was an educational opportunity open to all Davenport students in or above the ninth grade. The organization, which was supervised by volunteers from companies throughout the Quad Cities, held its meetings on various weeknights at West, North Scott, Rock Island, Bettendorf, Pleasant Valley, United Township High School, WQAD-TV, and Arrowhead Ranch.

Junior Achievement taught students the responsibilities of a company by appointing jobs in either management or assembly line work. The students worked with their supervisors after deciding on a product to manufacture. At West High, some of the products manufactured were stenciled mirrors and key holders. After these products were manufactured they were sold to eagerly awaiting customers.

So that students really got the feeling of being part of a company, they received an hourly wage, a commission when they sold the product, and the bonus of one-fourth credit each semester they participated. Students involved felt JA was an excellent way to make friends as well as an educational experience which also taught them more about how a business was run. (written by R. Singer)



This student confers with his adviser on production and management of good sales. (photo by L. Meyer)



The President of this JA company discusses the situation with one of his advisers. Lots of time is spent preparing for the upcoming sales. (photo by L. Meyer)

Those Special Wednesday Mornings...



FIRST ROW: Kevin Carey, Phil Iverson, Brad Harkins, and Brent Sprague. SECOND ROW: Pam Moorehead, Chris Blind, Mitch Knutson, Cathy Guske, Don Masterson, and Glenn Boors. (photo by J. Wheadon)

Meeting the needs of the students of West is one job that takes a tremendous amount of work. One need that some students felt had to be met was to have non-denominational fellowship on Wednesday morning at 7:15.

Through this fellowship, students had the opportunity to get together and discuss topics of concern to them. Throughout the year, many students came and went as they tried to discover what ROCK, Reaching Our Campus for the King, was all about, and whether or not it was what they were looking for.

Becoming the largest, most popular group at West was not the objective of ROCK. "It's nice to get Christian fellowship in a school environment with your peers," replied Cathy Guske, '86. The group's officers, President, Kevin Carey, '86, Vice-president, Phil Iverson, '86, Treasurer, Pam Moorehead, '86, and Secretary, Judy Wheadon, '86, worked together with Mr. Don Masterson to come up with new ideas and material to interest and meet the needs of the students of West. (written by J. Wheadon)



Cathy Guske, '86, and Mitch Knutson, '87, listen and read as the climate changes in an early morning ROCK discussion. (photo by J. Wheadon)



Phil Iverson, '86, lends an attentive ear to words being delivered by the speaker. (photo by J. Wheadon)

Dedication Produces a Smooth Sound

Once again, the 1985 orchestra season started in a rush as West High students practiced for and performed their first concert only one month and seventeen days into the school year. With thirty-six members, the sound was smooth, well balanced, and created a real treat for those who were able to attend. The next concert was only a month away, so members worked very hard to learn new music and perfect new techniques. While all orchestra students practiced for the November concert, a few worked in the pit for the all-school musical, "Carousel" and a few practiced intently to perfect scales and memorize a given piece in hopes of becoming a part of the All-State Orchestra, a great honor for any high school student in Iowa. We had three students accepted into the program this year: **Tiffany Hanson, Stacey Graham, and Julia Holst.**

As soon as November ended, orchestra members immediately began preparing for "Messiah," which is played by a combination of all the musicians from West, Central, and North. They also played for the Homecoming and Gala Auds. With scarcely a free moment, the orchestra had an eventful and hardworking year. (written by B. Manock)



Students fiddle their talents through and through in practicing their songs for their closing in an orchestra concert. (photo by H. Krum)



FIRST ROW: Stacey Graham, Mindy McFarlin, Chad Shepard, Dave Revelle, Kris Knusten, Chris Rider, Julie Lowder, and Tiffany Hanssen. SECOND ROW: Michelle Clearman, Ginger Saur, Heather Krum, Brian Carstens, Paul Hassig, Ella Sauseda, Becky Manock, Scott Beattie, and Pam Moorhead. THIRD ROW: Nancy Spillers, Dorie Dettmann, Karen Adomaitis, Chris Reedy, Anne Carthy, Cindi Tobin, Chris Hanson, Missy Fields, Rick Schaffer, Connie Lawson, Pam Griffen, Becky McFarlin, Lisa Prichard, Marie Womble, and Chuck Martin. FOURTH ROW: Laura Bragg, Shawn Entsminger, Tracy White, Jean Johnson, Pam Uhrich, Stina Sundstedt, Amy Navarre, Jeff Stannard, Tiffanay Phillips, Mike Seville, Bill Poarmann, Kelly Moorman, and Julia Holst. FIFTH ROW: Shawn Lafrenz, and Amanda Keppy. (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Even though there are some difficult spots in their music, these students still seem to smoothly play their way through. (staff photo)

Mrs. Smith conducts the orchestra to keep a steady beat and a meaningful sound. (photo by H. Krum)

It doesn't depend on how much bigger the instrument seems, it depends on the talent as these students display their creative talents. (photo by H. Krum)

Between the Wings

Julie Lowder, '86, and Jeff Bainbridge, '86, display each other's true love for one another during musical rehearsal for "The Carousel." (staff photo)

Of all the things that kids want when they grow up, fame and fortune are usually at the top of the list. And what better way to fame and fortune than through the stage and screen? Some "kids" take it very seriously and, on their way to being "grown-up", they find the road to theatre can begin in high school, in Drama Club and Thespians.

This past year, the adviser for Drama Club and Thespians was Mr. Tom Naab. Originally from Wood Jr. High, he has spent 25 years in theatre also. "There was a good participation and response from members. I felt welcomed in a new building and I think both my students and I have adjusted well to the change," said Mr. Naab.

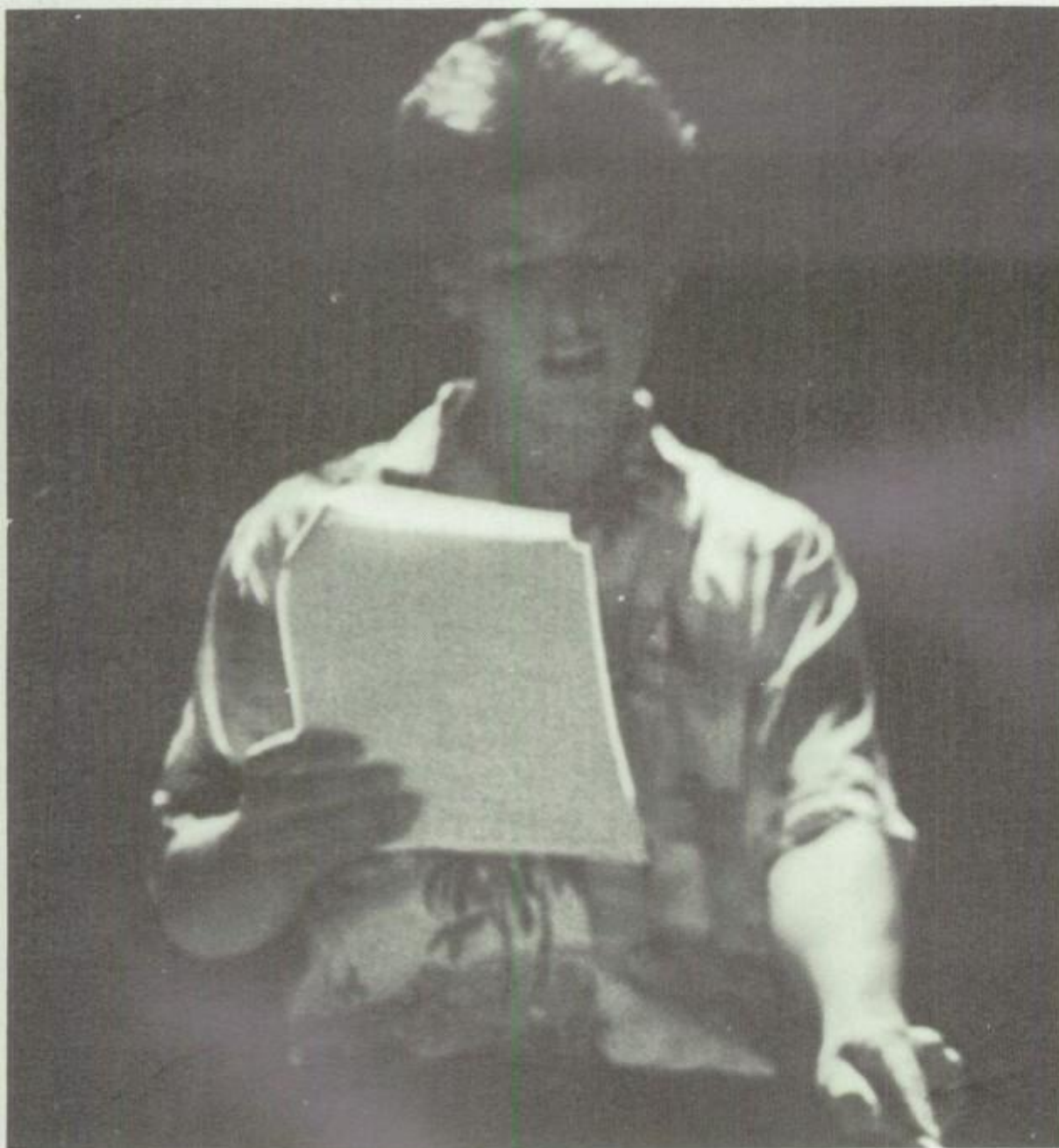
Drama Club saw "A Chrous Line" at Circa 21 during November, among other trips, and they all proved to be valuable experiences for students involved. Drama Club and Thespians have still managed to stay the top quality groups that they have always been. Says Jeff Bainbridge, 1985 Honor Thespian: "After being in Drama Club for four years, I've seen a lot of changes come and go and I think that if we make the system work, Drama Club will become one of the most popular clubs at West." (written by T. York)



FIRST ROW: Becky Manock, Julie Lowder, Diane Kunkle, Connie Lawson, Missy Fields, Becky Greenwalt, Kim Fox, Paula Alexander, Linda Grutzmacher. SECOND ROW: Sonya VanGorder, Treana Schaab, Darci Mumm, Tammy York, Stephanie Sierra, and Susan Nielson. THIRD ROW: Chuck Quinn, Doug Geiger, Pam Claeys, Tama Nelson, Becca Nissen, Tracy Dietz, Kelly Atkinson, Dave Buffington, and Jeff Dietz. FOURTH ROW: Kurt Helfter, Lars Negstad, Steve Fisk, Eric Willroth, J.D. Greenwalt, and Alton Gambleton.



FIRST ROW: Jenny Brown, Becky Greenwalt, Pam Claeys, and Lisa Hoelzer. SECOND ROW: Karla Schneider, and Susan Kay. THIRD ROW: Becky Manock, Kurt Helfter, Diane Kunkle, Doug Geiger, Missy Fields, Steve Fisk, and Jeff Dietz.



HONOR THESPIANS: Jeff Dietz, Becky Greenwalt, Jeff Bainbridge, and Jeno Berta.

Denny Herman, '88 as a policeman in the musical, "The Carousel" practices his lines during rehearsal.

The Secret Pleasures...of Being in Print

A seventh hour class for seniors? This year that was true for five student editors of the West High literary magazine Eyas. The five editors chosen from APP English classes were **Connie Lawson, Pam Moorehead, Gina Krambeck, Debbi Hoepner, and Nate Smith.** Mr. Tom Handlen, Chairman of the English Department, advised the staff as he has done for the past eleven years.

The editors met Fridays during seventh hour to read and chose the poetry, short stories, and artwork that had been turned into the Eyas cage (actually an old gerbil cage) by interested students. When a writing or drawing was especially liked by everyone, it was then entered into the finals of a contest being sponsored by the Eyas staff. At the end of the year cash awards were given to the person with the best poem, short story, and artwork. But before this could happen, Mr. Handlen undertook the task of typing and arranging all of the copy. "Sometimes we had to argue out what we wanted in," said Mr. Handlen.

A special section was added to the Eyas this year: Mobius. In years past an Eyas and a Mobius were separately published, but due to the lack of an adviser, the Mobius was discontinued this year. Since the editors liked the idea of the Mobius section, six drawings and reactions to these drawings were added to the Eyas. "Reading the writings submitted was interesting, especially to see how many different views people could have for the same Mobius pictures," commented **Nate Smith.**

The production schedule went from November until March, and then the Eyas books were sold to the student body and faculty. "I really like the fact that the book is a combination of talents from many different people at West High. It is not one of those activities that one person or a group of people can dominate, and I like that," stated **Dawn Sievertsen, '86.** (written by D. Hoepner)



Sitting together in the quiet atmosphere of Mr. Handlen's office the staff of the Eyas quietly read over the variety of poems, short stories, and drawings given to them for the Eyas. (staff photo)



Pam Moorehead, '86, and Gina Krambeck, '86, quietly think deeply about the conversation being held. (staff photo)

French Club Finds Fun, Friendship Fantastique

Looking for a party where everyone speaks French? Try French Club! That is mostly what French Club did this year. They partied, ate, and spoke French, and had a great time.

French Club's purpose was to expose French students to practical, conversational French, give French students a chance to use what they have learned, and have fun doing it.

They kicked off the year with a Get Together Party. Initiates dressed wild and flaunted before the football players. When initiates got back, they played games and ate.

After the Get Together Party came the Halloween Party. A costume contest was held and two dice rolled lucky numbers when they won the contest.

At the Christmas Party, they decorated a somewhat crooked Christmas tree and gobbled goodies.

After the Christmas Party, there was a crepes party whose sole purpose was making (and eating!) French crepes.

The French Club officers this year were **Stacey McKee**, President; **Traci Harris**, Vice Pres.; **Lori Strums**, Treasurer; and **Sarah Magers**, Secretary. There were 78 members this year who all agreed: "La Club de francais est MAGNIFIQUE!" (written by T. York)



Five was the lucky number and with a lucky rabbit's foot these students won the costume contest at French Club's Halloween party. (photo by A. Parker)



FIRST ROW: David Buffington, Alida Lee Parker, Jeanne Pittman, Sarah Magers, Traci Harris, Aimee Harrington, Wendy Yanacheak, and Kim Klamman. SECOND ROW: Kris Klamman, Robin Schuck, Lisa Anider, Melissa Samberg, Julie Schulz, Bridgid McGuinness, Staci Treiber, Trisha Trefz, Chris Leese, Dan Geisse, Shawn LaFrenz, and Scott Beattie. THIRD ROW: Heather Williams, Shawna Jacobsen, Carol Pierson, Falana Musard, Mirch Knutson, Bob Glasgow, and Derek Kehl. (staff photo)



Being French Club officers allows Lori Strums, '86, Stacey McKee, '87, and Sarah Magers, '87 to develop friendship in their special French family. (staff photo)

German Club

As with every other year, the members of German Club found themselves very busy. Part of this was due to the fact that this was the year of the student exchange with Davenport's sister city, Kaiserslautern, West Germany. Eighteen students from the Burggymnasium, which is comparable to high school in America, came over for three weeks from March 24- April 11. These students were exposed to the American culture and ways through a trip to Chicago, Circa 21, volleyball, swimming and the school atmosphere. These German exchange students stayed with West students, some of which will travel to Kaiserslautern this summer in the similar exchange program.

The German Club was also busy selling candy bars for their various activities. With the money they raised, they were able to go bowling, rent gyms for volleyball, hold pizza parties, and take their annual Amana/Pella, Iowa trip in style.

The German Club officers from West for this year were: **Cathy Guske**, President; **Kris Ludwig**, Secretary/Treasurer; **Debbi Hoepner**, representative. These three officers combined with three each from Central and North High Schools created a solid foundation for the organization. Mr. Goetz was both the German teacher and club adviser along with Mrs. Hennings at North.

The club had an exciting and enjoyable year. Club members wish the students in the exchange this summer the best time of their lives in their European travels. (written by C. Guske)



FIRST ROW: Cathy Guske, and Debbi Hoepner. SECOND ROW: Ann McCarthy, Tammy Roseman, Mitch Knutsen, Bob Glasgow, Bob Warner, Heather Hinshaw, and Don Goetz. (photo by D. Zastrow)



The German Club's student teacher, Judy Fairbanks, enjoys her last day with the group as she shows the camera her cake before she hurries to sink her teeth into the delicious frosting. (photo by D. Zastrow)



Judy Fairbanks and Don Goetz still find the time to smile even though, in some cases such as this, it maybe difficult. (photo by D. Zastrow)

"Hola Amigo!"



FIRST ROW: Wendy Durant, Candy Horias, Anna Cook, Susan Neilson, Gina Garcia, Linda Grutzmacher, Amy Brown, Heather Hernandez and Diann Duffey. SECOND ROW: Cathy Bradely, Tammy Rosemann, Joan Spencer, Lynn Griffin, Erin Vogt, Evette Reed, Kerri Ochs, Suzi Nykoluk, Ginger Walsh, Tracey Gadiant, Marla Cox and Bridger Foley. THIRD ROW: Carlos Gutierrez, Jeff Ryan, Ross Miller, Kevin Rommel, Susan Campbell, Carl Estell, Kris Farley, Eric Becker, Dana Smith, Geoff McGinnis, Shawn Porsander, Shelly Yoke, Nina Conner, Keith Rossmiller, Beth Danbler, Becky Wadsworth, Cheryl Pitts, Kasey Akers, and Lisa Shinnars. (photo by L.Meyer)

"Hola Amigo!"

This was the usual phrase exclaimed whenever someone walked through the doors of Room 111 when Spanish Club was in session. Spanish Club consisted of many fun-loving characters who were currently enrolled in Spanish. The club was advised by Mr. Richard Armstrong, and presided over by President **Tammy Rosemann**, '86.

"We have had a blast in Spanish Club, and it's great to have something in common. I am also really happy that so many people are in Spanish Club," exclaimed the president. Managers of the club included **Betty Jo Ruebbelke**, **Michelle Wagner**, **Sue Campbell**, **Kris Farley**, and **Nina Connors**.

Spanish Club had a variety of events throughout the year such as "Fiestas," swimming parties, and hayrides. "The parties are great, and we usually pig out on all kinds of Spanish food," exclaimed **Michelle Wagner**, '86.

At the end of the year, Spanish Club went to Great America. "This is always a treat for the students," said Mr. Armstrong. Spanish Club also has a program to travel to Spain. "When I went to Spain last summer, I had one of the most exciting times of my life," said **Michelle Wagner**, '86. (written by D. Zastrow)



The advisors of the Spanish Club party held on Friday Feb. 14th for all Spanish Club members, "kick back" and enjoy themselves while watching the crazy jumping beans around them. (photo by L.Meyer)





FRONT: Drum Majors, Connie Lawson and Amy Navarre. FIRST ROW: Olivia Cuevas, Lori Friedrichs, Pam Ulrich, Renee Kolits, Laura Wallace, Alex Almazon, Wendy Dorris, and Randy Stroyer. SECOND ROW: Missy Devlin, Matt Morrow, David Navarre, Jacqui Cappy, Dawn Bolt, Tina Bixby, Kelly Brown, Kelly Atkinson, and Roland Lomanto. THIRD ROW: Michelle Ellenberg, Stephanie Groves, Sarah Rogers, Shannon Colgan, Kim Stoffers, Linda Grunzmacher, Michelle Ellenberg, Stephanie Groves, Sarah Rogers, Shannon Colgan, Kim Stoffers, Linda Grunzmacher, Yvonne Arguella, Julie Arp, Tama Nelson, Jeff Stannard, Sarah Rippie. FOURTH ROW: Karen Goodlove, Yvonne Arguella, Julie Arp, Tama Nelson, Jeff Stannard, Kevin Carey, Missy Jospet, Julie Meyer, Renee Wolf, Julie Wulf, and Sue Schrader. FIFTH ROW: Bob Griggs, Becky McFarlin, Joanne Schweer, Kelly Schoo, Kara Harris, Sino Sundstedt, Chris Leese, Kelle Johansen, William Geisse, David Buffington, Kris Erickson, and Beth Reinhold. SIXTH ROW: Cathy Guske, Morcia Kilndt, Tiffany Phillips, Kris Mori, Dawnell Parr, Lori Meyer, Heather Puck, Kristin Hanson, Brian Guske, David Sidwell, Chad McWilliams, Julie Jones, and Tracy Leary. SEVENTH ROW: Rick Shaffer,

Treva Slack, Krista Holmer, Gina Wright, Kerry Gruenhagen, Jeff Janke, Dan Black, Mandy Horie, Jennifer Schrader, Jeff Norton, Nathan Batey, Linda Gehle, Kris VanNice, and Amanda Kepp. EIGHTH ROW: Shawn Lafrenz, Mark Ehlers, Kurt Onkelmann, Scott Crow, Clay Harksen, Rob Horn, Eric Brown, Jason Dugan, Eric Becker, Dawn Blaser, Joni Osborn, Laura Beckman, Paul Fuller, Chris Gephart, and Tony Teague. NINTH ROW: Nathan Christensen, Eric Banks, Lois Negstad, Jeff Paustian, Scot Talbert, Tim McGovern, Jonon Peterson, Barb Brandt, Bill Portmann, Eric Thoenburg, Chris Blind, Mike Seville, Scott Ulrich, Matt McCullough, Tony Hepner, and Brian Norzke. TENTH ROW: Pam Griffin, April Hudson, Denise Cunningham, Shawna Jacobson, Trish Treitz, Sherry Shedd, Chris Kroyenbogen, Kim Lybarger, Jeanne Pittman, Dawn Paulsen, Folana Musard, Chene Fahrenkrug, Lisa Pritchard, Missy Wentworth, Missy Fields, and Chris Moody. (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)

Band Dreams of Echoes in Colorado Rockies

Band: Backbone of Pep



Will West High Band do it again? What is the meaning of this question? It means that West High Band is going for another gold medal, but this time not in Hawaii, in Colorado. Since their great victory in Hawaii, the band is going to try for another.

This year, the band has held a citrus fruit sale and has given performances to help raise money for the trip. Also this year, a prayer was answered—the band received new uniforms. They just came in time for the Band Spectacular and the Homecoming Game.

The Band was not hiding at all this year. They performed a pops concert and have made many appearances at the pep auds and home football and basketball games. Even though for most of the marching season the band did not have the new uniforms, they still lifted the spirits, which made them a vital and greatly appreciated part of the West High School Falcon spirit. (written by L. Meyer and T. York)



Tony Hepner, '87, displays one of his great talents by modeling his new band uniform. (staff photo)

Mr. Parrmann adds his special touch as he conducts the students during a band rehearsal for the contest. (photo by M. Parker)

With their shining tubas, players try to gleam their way through the music, and to give an excellent performance during the contest. (photo by M. Parker)

Kelli Schoo, '86, smiles nicely during the marching practice to show that marching isn't all hard work. (staff photo)



Flying High

One exciting display on the football field during halftime activities was the Flags routine. Dressed in a white uniform with high-heeled white boots, each member of the team twisted and furled those beautiful flags in intricate routines.

The team consisted of sixteen girls, with the two leaders being **Falana Musard**, '87, and **Chris Gruenhagen**, '86. To be accepted into Flags a girl must be in band, learn the marching routine, hand and flag movements, and try out. Mr. Paarman, director, helped the girls last year with the routines and requirements they needed to know a week before try outs. Once they had been accepted they were automatically on Flags the next year.

The flag display is exciting and interesting to watch, so one must assume that the participation is just as exciting. The girls enjoyed being in Flags, just as much as we enjoyed watching them. They helped keep the Falcon spirit flying high! (written by R. Singer)

(1) Silks practice their routine during band practice. (photo by K. Rodriguez)



FIRST ROW: Lisa Prichard, Melissa Wentworth, Chris Gruenhagen, Melissa Fields, and Chris Moody. SECOND ROW: Chris Krayenhagen, Jeanne Pittman, Dawn Paulsen, Falana Musard, and Cheri Fahrenkurg. THIRD ROW: Pam Griffin, April Hudson, Denise Cunningham, Shawna Jacobsen, Trisha Tretz, and Sherry Shedd. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)

"Get into the Groove"

Music, dancing, and "groovin'" — that's what the West High Pom Pon Squad was all about. The name "Coming Attractions" was adopted to name the eighteen girls on the squad. They performed dance routines during the half time of home basketball games.

Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6:40 a.m. to 7:40 a.m., the music could be heard down the halls of West as the girls practiced their routines for halftime performances. A new routine was developed each week by a member of the squad, who was then responsible to teach the routine to the rest of the girls. These early morning practices were sometimes strenuous, but remembering

to wear a smile on the outside and spirit on the inside, the "Coming Attractions" kept the Falcon spirit soaring.

The Pom Pon squad was supervised by Ms. Nancy Lafrenz, guidance counselor, and Ms. Kim Johnson, math instructor, who found that this group of girls were extremely dedicated and worked well together. These dedicated girls attended camps at Iowa State during the past summer and learned many new routines. But most importantly they learned what spirit was all about. Returning home, in the name of Falcon spirit they practiced twice a week during the summer when practice was not required.

Along with the long hours of learning and practicing dance routines, the Pom Pon Squad did manage to find time for pizza parties, a donut breakfast, and several meetings where they always had enough fun to make the strain a little easier.

Homecoming brought out even more Pom Pon spirit, when the girls decorated a float to the theme of "Glory Days" as proof of their intense Pom Pon spirit. These enthusiastic and lively girls made halftime entertaining full of Falcon spirit. It seemed as though the audience could not wait for the next home basketball game to see the latest "Coming Attractions." (written by L. Little)



FIRST ROW: Susan Kay, Audrey Snider, and Karla Schmieder. SECOND ROW: Kelly Sadler, Sarah Magers, Mary Walters, and Michelle Rissler. THIRD ROW: Lisa Hoelzer, Alisa Everson, Laurie Little, Andrea Lenaghan, Michelle Cramer, and Denise Donnelson. FOURTH ROW: Falana Musard, Kara Harris, Dawn Blaser, Diane Miller, and Jodi Harrington. (photo by Jeff Morrissey)

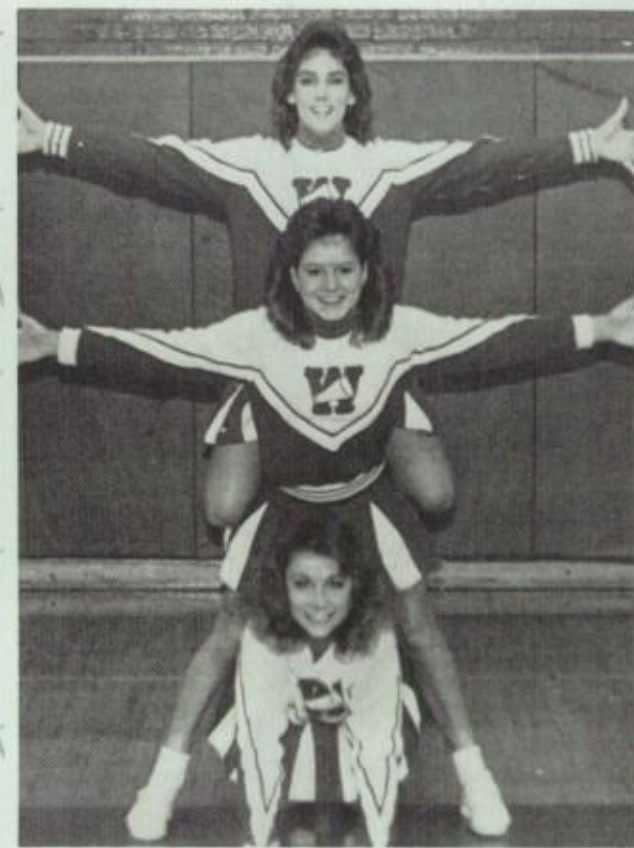
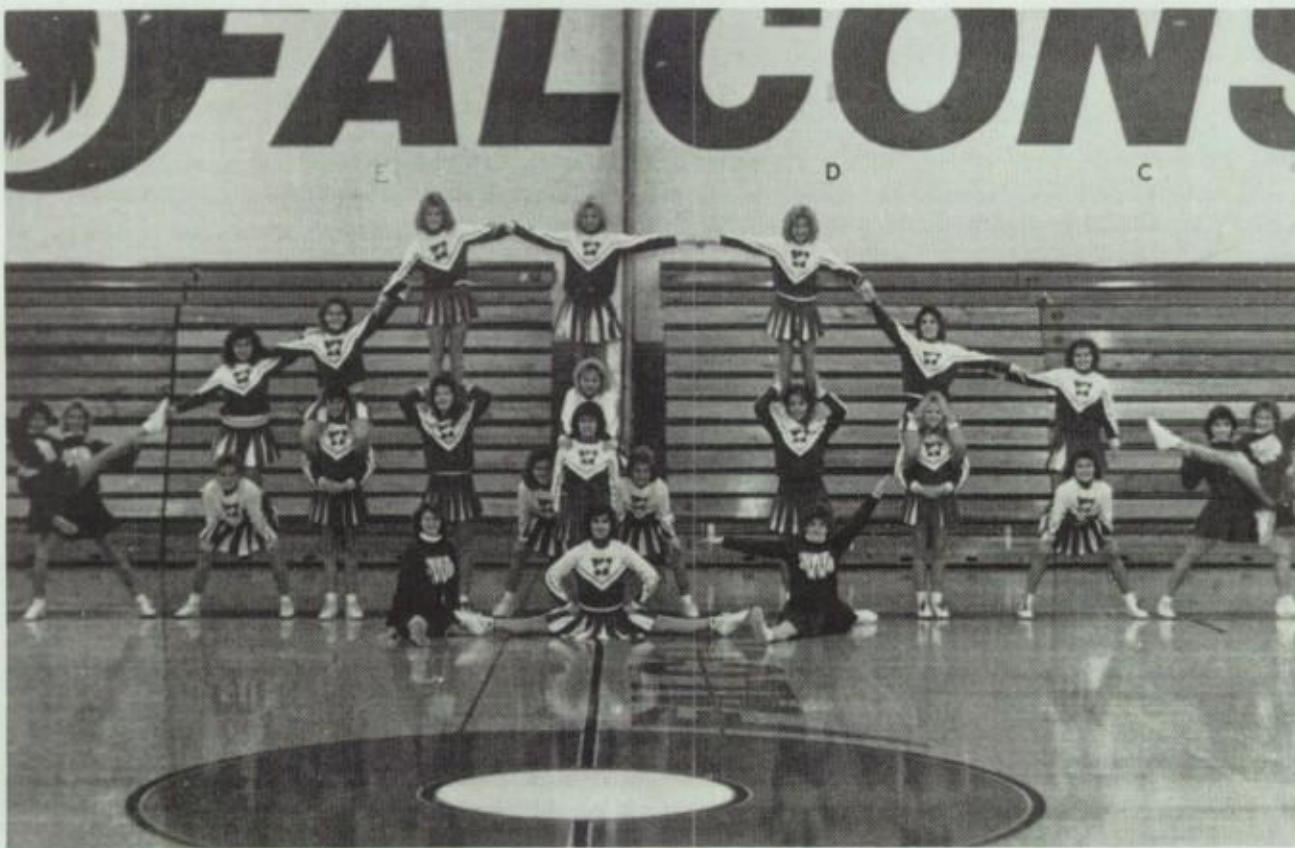


"Three Cheers for the Masters of Cheering"

Cheerleaders: "airheads," "dizzmos," "preps," and sometimes "stuckup." These were common adjectives that were usually used to describe cheerleaders. This was a stereotype that from the cheerleader's point of view should be broken. "Cheerleading is a lot of time and most of all, dedication," commented **Michelle Groves**, '87. The girls were getting up early in the mornings on Tuesdays and Thursdays to practice, to help boost the school spirit on Friday and Saturday nights. In order for them to help boost the school spirit they needed new ideas. Going to the University of Iowa cheerleading camp this summer gave the cheerleaders new ideas

and improved their skills. Nine of our cheerleaders received "The Most Improved Squad" award. "Cheerleading camp was worth my time and effort," said **Mindy McFarlin**, '87 earnestly. "We learned a lot and brought back many new cheers for the new season," added **Jenell Arnold**, '86. Cheerleading took more hard work than most people thought. There was the joy of meeting new people, the excitement of being able to act crazy, and the thrills a cheerleader gets deep down inside when hearing the crowd's response to the cheers. Most of all there was a special bond which held cheerleaders together. **Kim Lybarger**, '87, stated, "We work as a group,

kind of like a family." So we knew there was more to cheerleading than some of us thought. Cheerleaders: people who try to make the school spirit strong and make the school year better than ever. (Written by T. Harris and L. Sturms)



(1) FIRST ROW: Ron Roehl, Monica Barron, and Wendy Dorris. SECOND ROW: Becky McFarlin, Kristin Main, Jenell Arnold, Kim Lybarger, Lori Sturms, Michelle Atherton, Kris Bares, Mindy McFarlin, Vicky Orrs, Julie Lambert, Sherry McKown, Pam Montgomery, Heather Cockrell, and Jane Schweer. THIRD ROW: Julie Scriven, Michelle Groves, Traci Harris, Kris Marti, Missy Lakers, Kim Wallick, and Linda Gratzmacher.

(2) Kim Wallick, Michelle Atherton, and Julie Lambert.

(3) Kristin Main, Becky McFarlin, Wendy Dorris, Jane Schweer, Roni Roelk, and Heather Cockrell.





(1) Julie Scriven, Monica Barton, Jenell Arnold, Missy Lakers, Kim Lybarger, and Michelle Groves.

(2) Kris Marti, Mindy McFarlin, and Vicky Otts.

(3) Kris Bares, Lori Sturms, and Traci Harris.

(4) Sherri McKnown, Linda Grutemacher, and Pam Montgomery.

(5) Varsity cheerleaders show their homecoming enthusiasm at the car rally.

Photos courtesy of Warner-Medlin, J. Morrissey, M. Moscinski, M. Smothers.



TSC Reaches Out

TSC stood for Teens For Senior Citizens. These people were a part of an organization which cared and helped senior citizens in various places throughout Davenport.

This year TSC held a fall picnic, and planned activities to cheer up the elderly on every holiday. They started with their Halloween trick-or-treating at the Kahl Home, distributed Thanksgiving favors to nursing homes, and distributed food to the elderly. Later they distributed Christmas favors and went Christmas caroling to the nursing homes. They collected baby powder and lotion, distributed Valentine pastries, and presented a variety show. TSC put up Easter decorations, had secret pals, and visited elderly homes on a one-on-one basis to help members write letters and do grocery shopping.

TSC had a very busy year. Teens for Senior Citizens carried on important responsibilities, but there was one gift that was greatly needed by the elderly. Students let the Falcon Spirit soar into the hearts of the elderly ones who are still young at heart. (written by L. Meyer)



Mrs. Knopick and Judy Wheadon '86, try to figure out some major problems in their next holiday surprise at an elderly nursing home. (photo by L. Meyer)



Kelle Johannsen '88, decorates a box to put all the goodies in for the nursing homes surprise. (photo by L. Meyer)



First Row: Shawna Jacobsen, Kris Myers, Suzy Rodriguez, Kelli Kerry, Molly Blank, Trisha Trefz, and Kelly Moorman. Second Row: Theresa Hinch, Kasey Akers, Kim Holden, Beth Dangler, Kris Farley, and Mrs. Knopick. (staff photo)

Trades and Industries Builds to the Top



Trades and Industries class, taught by Mr. John Breck, had the distinction of growing larger than both the DECA and COOP programs during the 1985-86 academic year. Students found that it was a practical class that would prepare them for working in trades and factories and could lead to a job that held promise.

Class time was spent discussing individual problems and real solutions to them, problems that students really encountered on the job. Mr. Breck spent many hours in the classroom instruction, but also visited with students on the job to see how things were going and to confer with various employers on the reliability and progress of each student.

Students were fortunate if they discovered a prospective vocation along the T & I route. One such student was **Jeff Lohf, '86**. Jeff began working as a busboy at The Dock and ended up in the kitchen as a helper. He soon found that he enjoyed cooking so much that he decided to make a career of it. After graduation, Jeff plans to study cooking in hopes of becoming a professional chef. (written by K. Redeker)

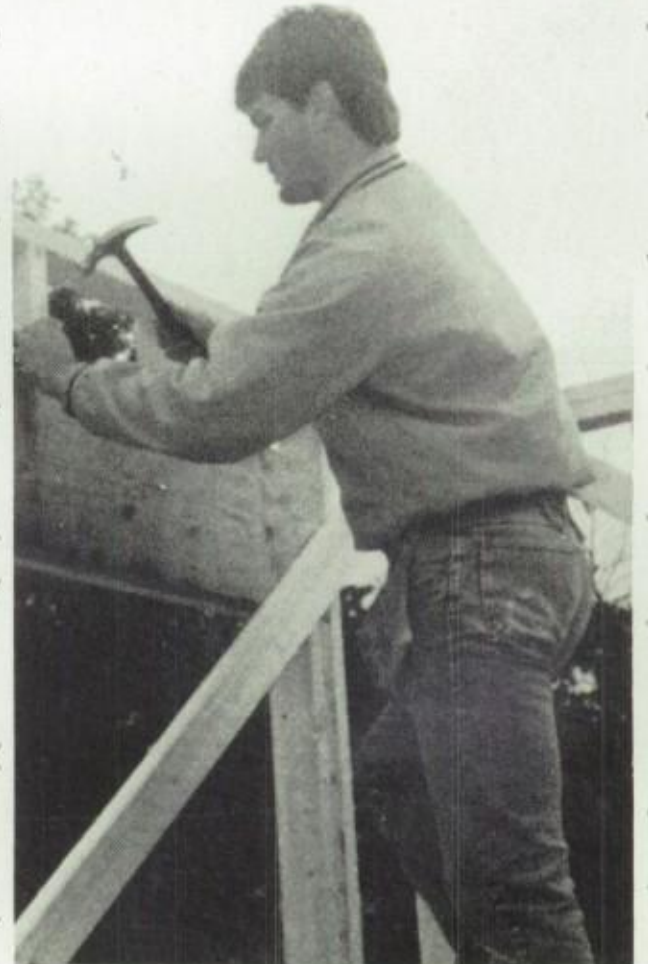
Jeff Lohf, '86, masters the art of filleting fish at his job for The Dock. (photo by J. Breck)



Gary Buckles, '86, grins as he gets the proper results from his work at the Area Education Agency. (photo by J. Breck)

Denise Schinckel, '86, applies her drafting skills at her job for Carrison & Associates. (photo by J. Breck)

Mike Wardlaw, '86, really climbs to the top for his carpentry job, which will help him to be a skilled tradesman in the future. (photo by J. Breck)



DECA Provides More Than Career-Seeking



FIRST ROW: Dawn Dory, Michele Kennedy, Barb La Verenz, Missy Ball, Chuck Quinn, Miela Davis and Stephanie Rogers. Adviser Mr. Zal. SECOND ROW: Tonya Morely, Missy Hawley, Debbie Wester, Kerry Rodriguez, Don Davison and Kris Evans.

DECA was a cooperative education program between the school and the business community coordinated by Mr. Zalaznik. It combined work related classroom instructions and actual on-the-job training/experience in various marketing or distributive occupations for seniors who were interested in entering, exploring, and sharpening leadership skills in business. They earned money and gained experience in a specific occupation or career field. The DECA program was divided into two sections: the Distributive Education Theory Class and actually working at a job.

"I think that Distributive Education Theory Class is fun and interesting; I feel I've gotten a lot out of the class. I've also learned a lot

about work related careers," commented **Don Davison**, '86, when asked about his thoughts on the Distributive Education Theory class. The subjects covered in the D.E. Theory Class were human relations, communication skills, career exploration and development, researching careers, current events, resume preparations, job seeking skills, preparing Income tax forms, how to be successful, plus safety and health. This class helped a student learn to be a more competent employee, and learn how to solve/cope with job related problems. By working with Mr. Zalaznik a student was able to find the job which was related to his/her interests.

The types of jobs offered in the DECA

program were sponsored by different employers. Some of these jobs were food services, department stores, personnel services, retail stores, service stations, apparel and accessories, wholesaling business, home furnishings, and supermarkets.

By combining the two sections of DECA a student was able to get the total benefit of learning at school and on the job, which would give him/her a stronger background for when he/she was working in the "real world." "DECA gives one a good opportunity to see the real working world," stated **Stephanie Rogers**, '86. (written by L. Meyer)

Co-op: A True Experience

The Co-Operative Education program was a program to get students involved in real life. One half of the program was on-the-job experience. The students actually were at work for half of the school day, which was three high school credits. The employer evaluated a student's ability on the job. The program's main basis was to help a student with his/her work experience for the future, and to help students to be able to make a living. The rest of the day was spent at school either taking work related classes or required classes.

The other half of the Co-op program was the Related Subjects class. It was taught by Mr. John Breck. The class talked about problems on the job, how to budget earnings, how to do income tax, how to cope with work conditions, and which schools one could

attend to reach a future career goal. It helped a person to find out which career was right for him/her and if she/he would enjoy doing that certain type of work for a living.

The biggest thing was a student's attitude towards the type of work he/she was doing. Stated **Wade Badure**, '86, "I work at West Office Equipment and I have learned what the world of work is really like. It's not just earning money and spending it however you want. Co-op has helped me in many of these ways and I strongly recommend taking the class to the upcoming students. It is a true experience."

Mike Ramirez, '86, who was a parts distributor at the Rock Island Arsenal, believes that the Co-op program is "Great". He plans to make this his future career goal. "Co-op gives more experience on what the job is like

and what things are really about," Mike commented. Both felt that Co-op has helped them greatly and will benefit them in their future.

Another aspect was the job office program run by Mrs. Carla Morgan. These students worked and learned in an office atmosphere. Said **Sheryl Schmidt**, '86, "I have made a lot of friends through my job in the Guidance Office...not only the students, but the counselors and teachers. I have learned a lot more about the school system and how complicated running a school is." **Deena Kelding**, '86, said: "I never knew how much mail went out in a day until now." All of the students in Co-op learned about the "real world" and most felt that it would help them in their futures as members of the work force. (written by W. Badure and M. Parker)

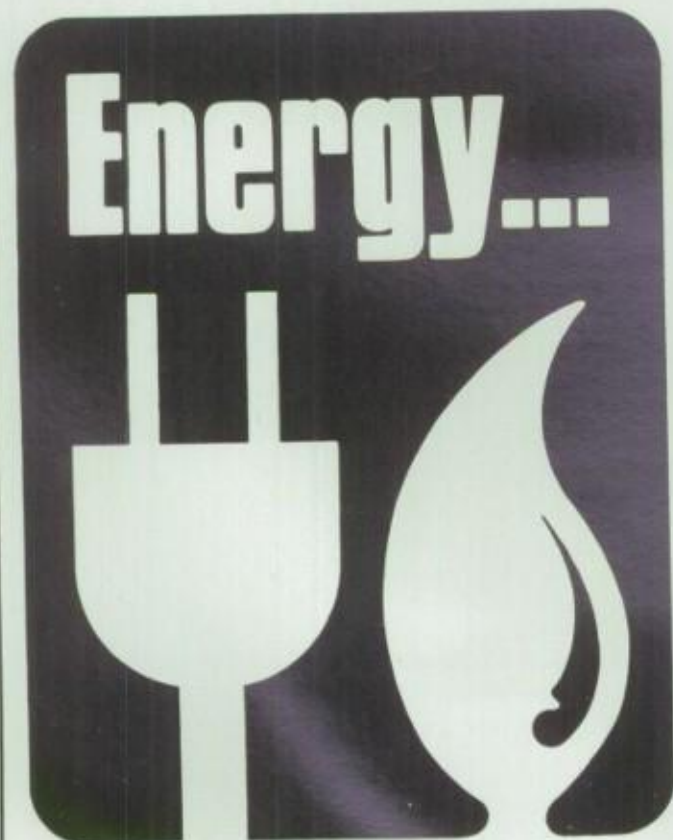


FIRST ROW: Dawn Symmonds, Beth Ruwe, Dana Dierz, Missy Lakers, and Carol Riepe. SECOND ROW: Deena Kelding, Sheryl Schmidt, Tammy Hurt, Cheryl Blankers, and Chris Ferguson. (staff photo)

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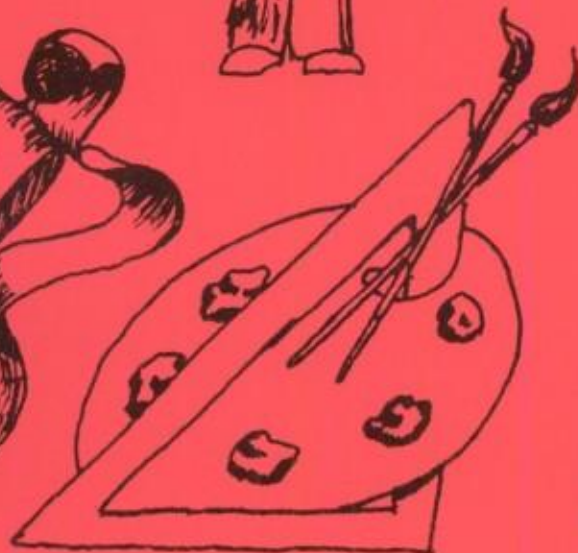
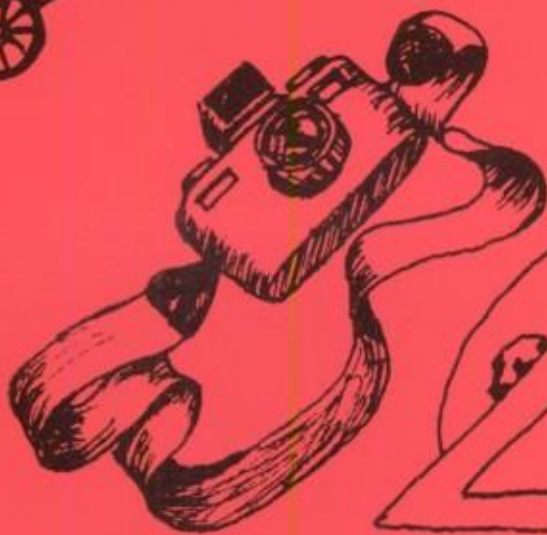
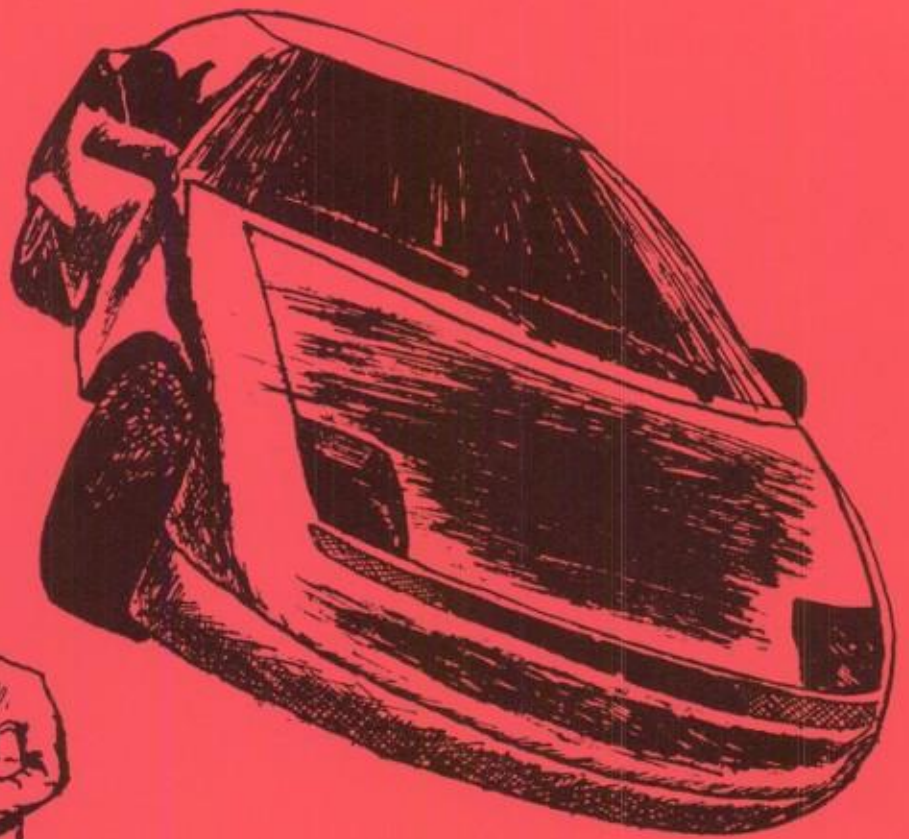
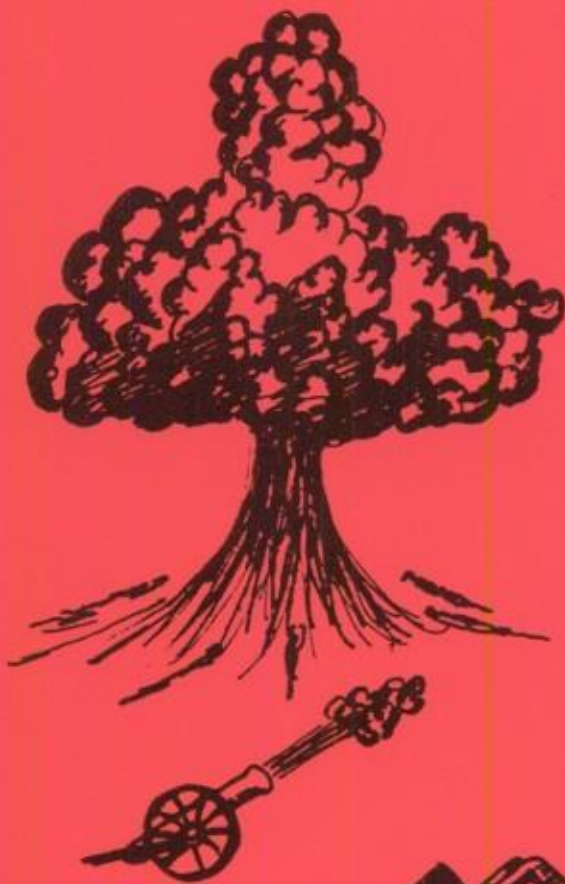
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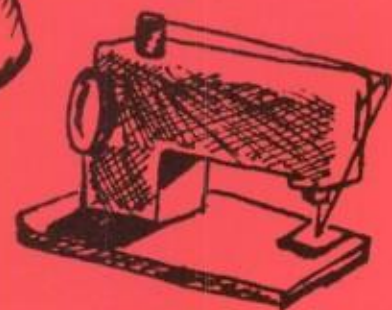
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Registration Turns Computer

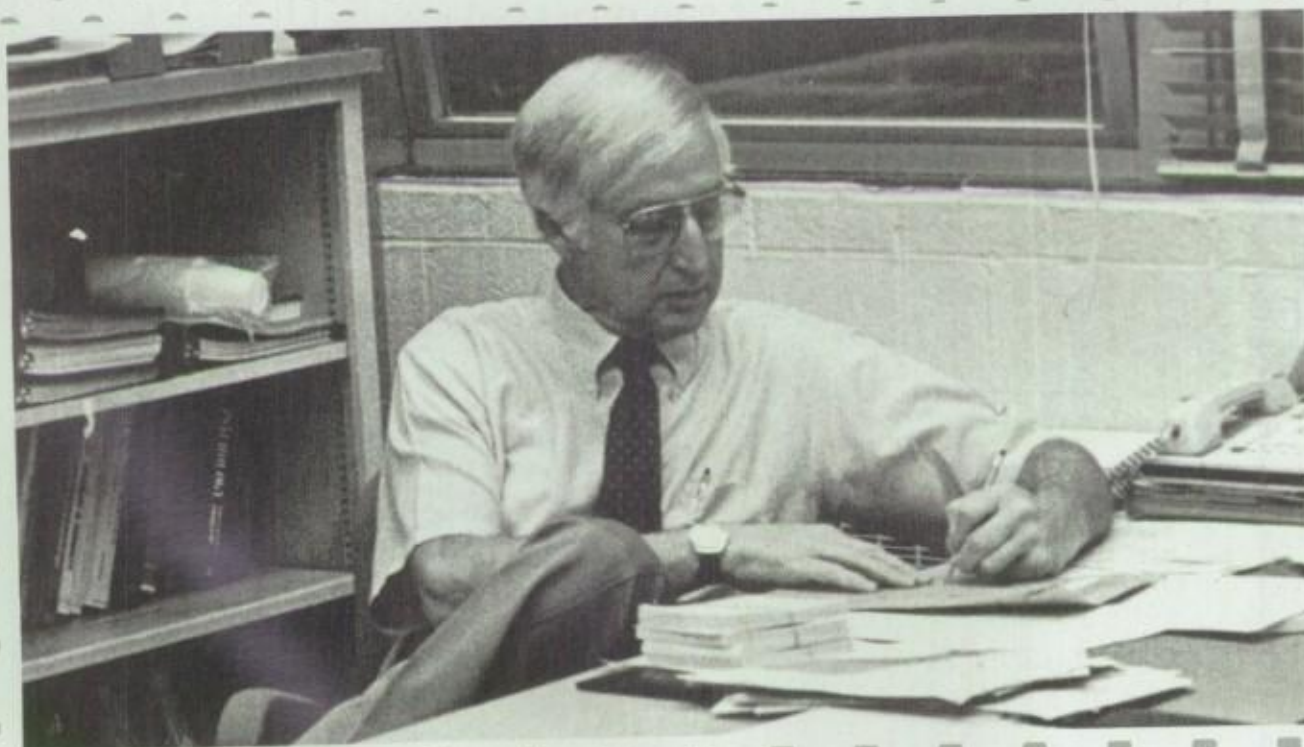
Even West High School kept up with the fast pace of technology as computers took over the registration process this year. In past years, the process pitted students against time and teachers. The decision to change came from the central administration.

There were several reasons for the change. One was to keep up with technological advances. Another was that in past years the student body has been too large for a computer to hold the data. Now, with a smaller student body and new computer, computers were more logical and convenient. A final reason was to give teachers an extra in-service day to prepare for the school year.

In the beginning, there were a few bugs to be worked out. There were forgotten schedules and gym classes and study hall mix-ups. Even with these problems, Mr. James Ingram, head counselor, said, "I was pleasantly surprised at how smooth it went." The first week of school there were lines of students waiting to adjust their schedules, but Mr. Ingram said, "I was pleased with the cooperation from everyone, including the students."

With the old system, the students were able to pick both their teachers and classes, but with the computer they had no choice. Jim Kupitz, '86, said, "I did not particularly like the computer registration because it takes away

from choice of teachers and where you want study halls." Carsten La Balle, '86, had a slightly different view by saying, "I do not really mind it, but if it was my choice, I'd go back to the old system." (written by A. Schwitzer)



Mr. Case works diligently on the problems of the students here at West High School, which is a full-time job for him and the other counselors. (photo by C. Guske)

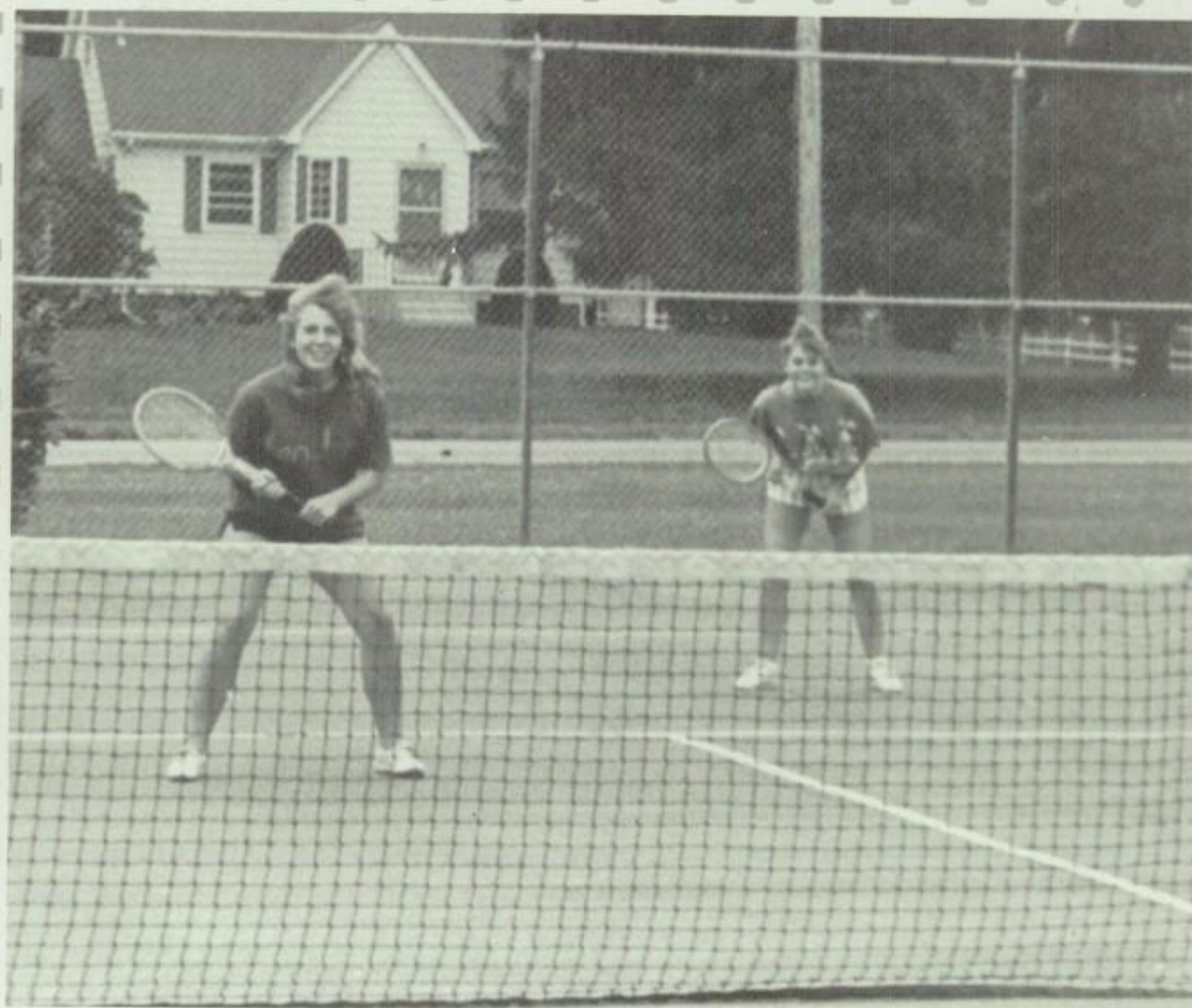


A new twist at registration this year is the new cash register operated by Judy Schroder in the activities office. (photo by C. Guske)

Mrs. Lafrenz discusses a schedule change with a student who among others, found it necessary to change her schedule with the new system. (photo by C. Guske)



Seniors Michelle Cramer and Kambra Almond prepare themselves for the return in their tennis game during gym class. (photo by D. Hoepner)



P.E. Makes A Run For It

For fifty-five minutes twice a week, each student at West High participated in physical education, more commonly known as P. E. class. Although this is a required class, the majority of the students thought that it helped them make it through

a tough school day. The indoor and outdoor activities were often a great relief from sitting at desks all day listening to teachers.

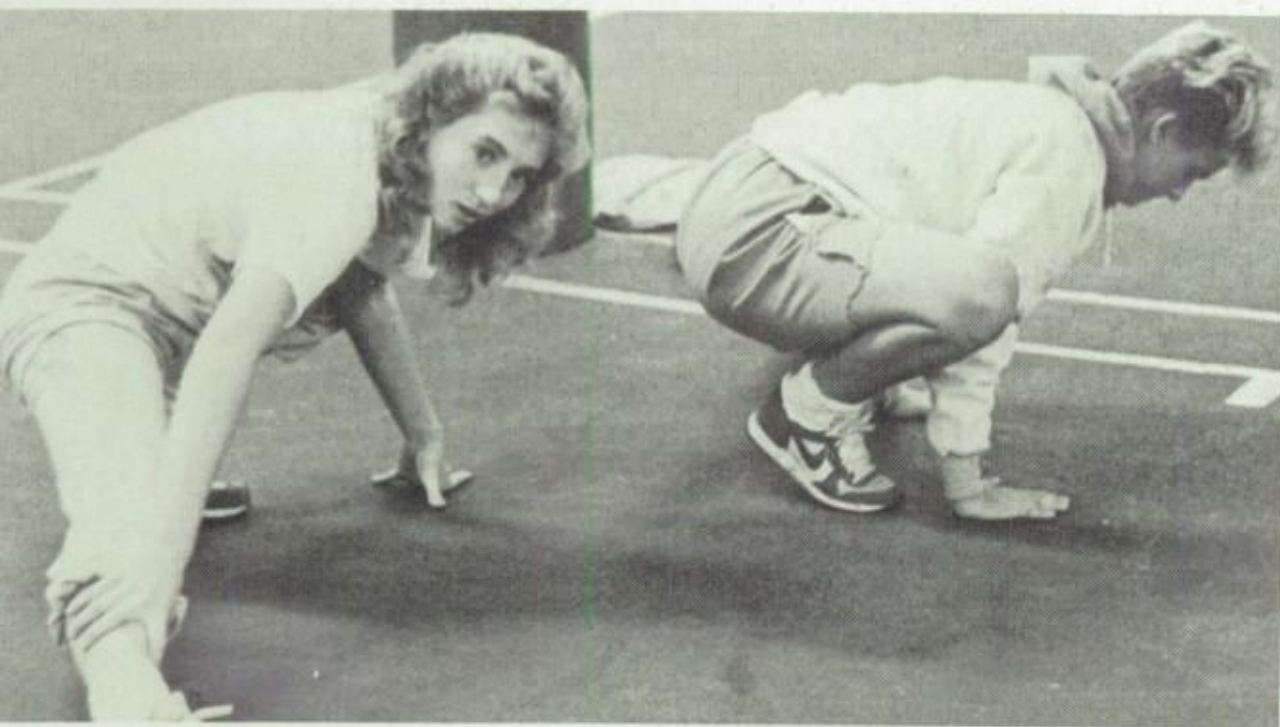
This year also marked the second full year of Co-ed gym. Most students have grown accustomed to playing tennis, football

or softball on a Co-ed team, and some students even preferred it.

Lori Meyer, '87, stated that, "It makes me try harder with class being Co-ed, and I have noticed that I have gotten a lot better scores than in previous years."

However, not every student shared this opinion. **Mitchell Knutson**, '87, commented, "I like taking a break in school in order to get some exercise, but I only wish that the class was more organized and serious." Another student, **Jeff Stannard**, '87, shared this opinion, saying, "I like gym class because it gives me a break in my school day to play sports. I enjoy almost everything that we do, but there needs to be better discipline because too many people do not take the class seriously."

Although this change to Co-ed was made last year, to most students physical education class will always be the same. **Bridget Speer**, '87, had an optimistic outlook as she stated, "It is fun, it is not hard and the teachers are nice." Not too many classes get any easier than that. (by C. Guske)



Runners Kathleen Downs, '87, and Leah Soenke, '88, stretch their muscles before running in the indoor track. (staff photo)

Reaching Further On Their Own

Gifted and Talented, AGATE and TAG: all of these are the acronyms for a single class offered this year. Technically it is "Alternatives for Gifted and Talented Education," to "AGATE."

It was generally of a more accelerated nature and involved students who possessed above average academic capabilities. The class itself was not as structured as a regular class, but more informal independent studies. Discussions covered things such as factors of giftedness, test scores as indicators of intelli-

gence, what constitutes a good or bad college and other various topics.

The class based a lot of its work on extra-curricular activities extending beyond the classroom. Such things included college trips, Governor's Day, Model United Nations, Future Bowl, Mock Trial and Shadowing.

The AGATE program itself was started about ten years ago with the movement of the nation to insure that above average students were given a challenge within the schools. The procedure for admitting students

to the program usually consisted of a combination of ITED composite scores, a creativity test and a teacher evaluation. Overall, this innovative class taught learning skills to help students get ready for life on their own. (written by A. Schwitzer and C. Guske)



This year's AGATE students. First Row: Beth Dengler, Lisa Prichard, Tiffany Hansen, Nancy Spillers, Robin Schuck and Andrea Carruthers. Second Row: Shelly Stone, Tammy York, Angela Doorman, Chris Gruenhagen, Kris Farley, Amanda Jones and Molly Bargefield. Third Row: Mr. Tuffree, Shane Hauman, Bridget Speer, Paul Schliekelman, David Ray, Shawn Entsminger, Jason Barrosch and Mitch Knutson. Not Pictured: Eric Willroth. (photo by C. Guske)

Mr. Tuffree and the AGATE students spend some time outdoors before they listen to a speaker on one of their field trips this year. (photo by A. Schwitzer)



Saturday Brain Power

"PSAT/NMSQT tests are a warm fuzzy."

The alarm rang at 6:30 a.m. and the weary junior dragged himself out of bed. It would have been a normal school morning, except for the fact that it was Saturday morning. This student was not tripping out or heading for the funny farm, but he was waking up early on a Saturday morning to

take the PSAT/NMSQT tests.

Most juniors found themselves taking this test on October 19, 1985 at 8:30 a.m. and it consisted of an English and math section.

"By the end of the morning, my brain was fried!" commented **Ginger Saur, '87**. However, this was not true for a few students who became National Merit Semi-Finalists or Commended Students. These senior students were: **Bill Paarmann**, National Merit Semi-Finalist, **Kevin Bracker**, **Jeffrey Dietz** and **Paul Schliekelman**, all Commended Students. Although this number was greatly reduced from last year's ten, Mr. Ingram stated: "The test isn't a reflection of the senior class, but the scores do reflect on a student's natural intelligence."

Although these tests were not required, many students took them to begin their college selection process. Many students found that just a few short weeks after the test, the flood of college mail started flowing into their mailboxes. For many this test was an indication of where they stood educationally, and where they would like to go.

Mr. Ingram felt that these tests were important because, "They are a warm fuzzy, and they recognize individuals who are the brightest of the bright." Congratulations to the National Merit scholars this year. You were a select few from the entire class of '86. (written by C. Guske)



Bill Paarmann, '86, (second from left), National Merit Scholar, grins along with Jeffrey Dietz, '86, Kevin Bracker, '86 and Paul Schliekelman, '86, Commended Students, at the pleasure of being named among the brightest of the bright. (photo by M. Moscinski)

The Shaping of Reality

Machines buzzed, bang, bang, whap! Sparks flew, strange masked men and women hid under mysterious goggles . . . no, this was not a scene from a Steven Spielberg movie . . . try the Industrial Arts wing.

This department included: auto mechanics, metals, welding, plastics, electronics and cabinet making. Industrial Arts was a big step for the future, and some students took courses for a new educational experience. Lori Hadley, '87, said, "It was a lot of fun, but it is hard work."

Just what did students do in some of these classes? Metals class involved making toolboxes. Welding classes had to start by learning preliminary basics because of some dangers involved with the equipment used. After taking these classes many students found practical uses for their new skills.

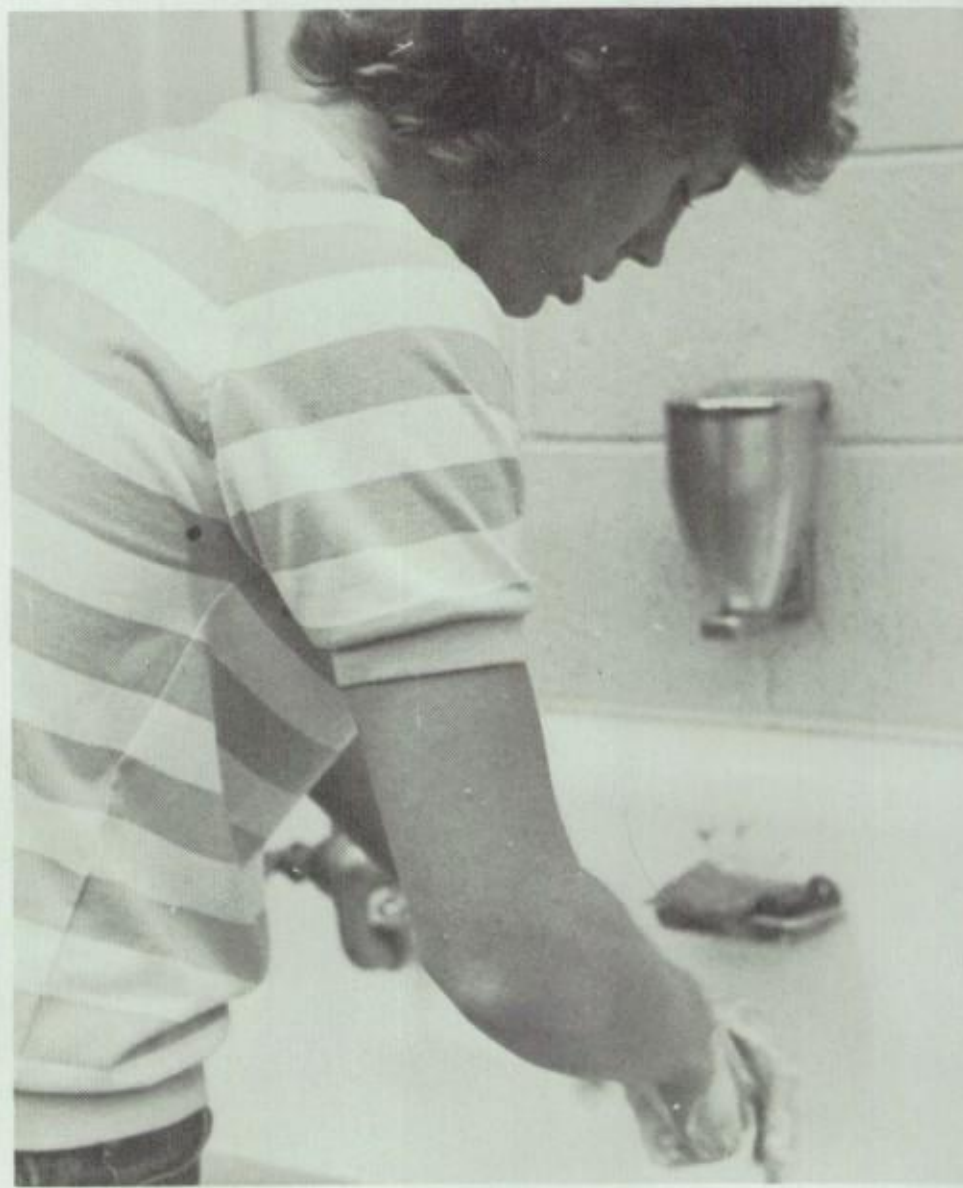
Mr. Day encouraged students to sign up for Industrial Arts classes saying, "This would be a good time to enter Industrial Arts because of the new requirement system for sophomores." (by T. Zinger)



Working close and carefully, Mike Postel, '87, welds during Industrial Arts class. (photo by K. Redeker)



Industrial Arts is not all hands on work, as Randy Lamar, '88, and Chad Ambrey, '87, find as they read a textbook. (photo by K. Redeker)



Getting all of the dirt and grime off of his hands is important to Tony Huffman, '88, finishing up class with a good washing. (photo by K. Redeker)

Creating Their Futures

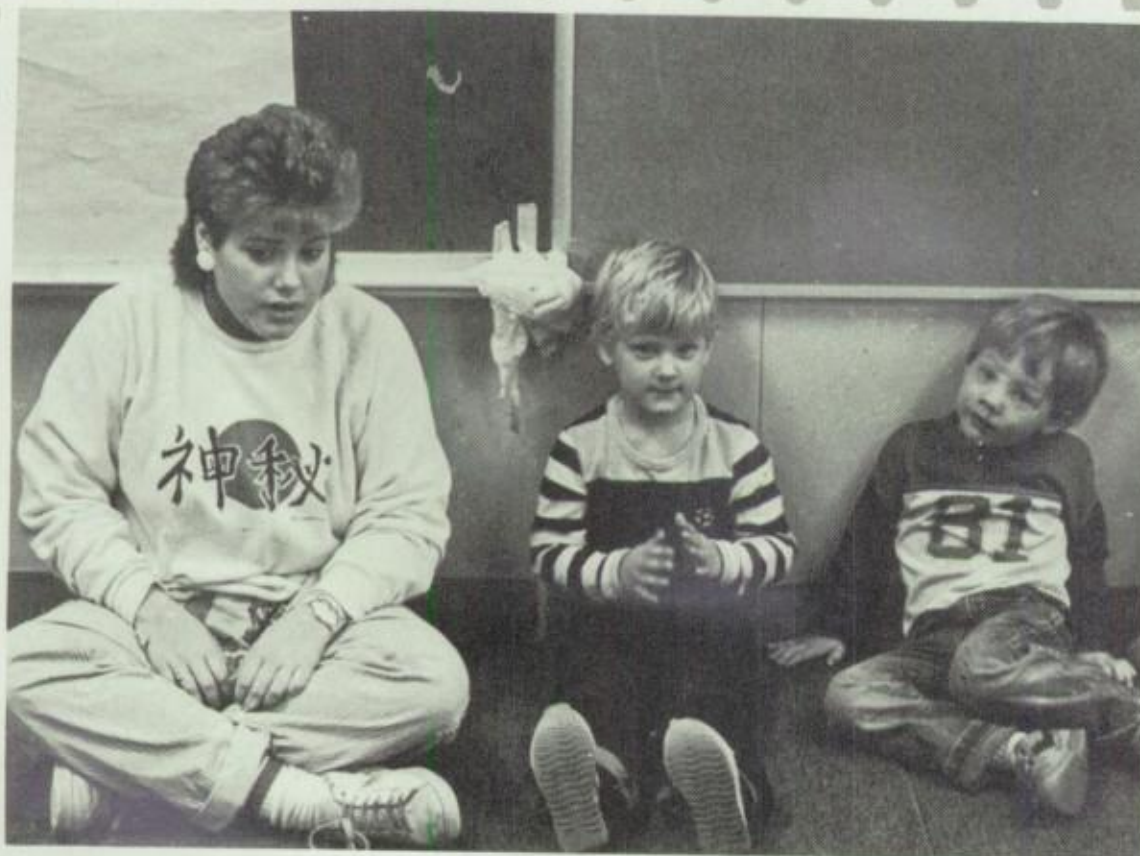
For many students of West, the learning process did not take place in a classroom, but at the Davenport Vocational Center. These students usually left West in the morning during first period and returned around third or fourth period.

Vocational provided realistic working and learning experiences for the students to help them prepare for the "real" world. Classes offered at the center included: electronics, welding, automotive, model office, health services, childcare, printing, and classes in other areas also. **Andrew Marker**, '87, commented that vocational was good for him because it "goes into more detail." **Pam Stender**, '86, had a similar feeling, commenting that, "You learn more about an office here: it's more real."

Vocational was also beneficial to students because of the reason stated by **Chris Richards**, '86: "We are more independent here." **Joni Osborn**, '86, voiced another advantage, saying, "We have more time, and the printing lab here has more equipment than West does." Overall, these vocational students experienced life on their own. (written by C. Guske)



At the Vocational Center, Andrew Marker, '87, learns and experiences projects in the field of electronics. (photo by M. Parker)



Debbie Bares, '86, in the childcare area of vocational, gets a variety of looks and reactions to a story from the children she works with. (photos by M. Parker)



What Did You Say?

"Buenos Dias, Wie Gehr's? Au Revoir! (Translation: Hello, how are you? Goodbye!) Not to worry, this was not a new language that passed you on by this year, but a combination of the languages of Spanish, German and French.

These foreign languages played an important role for the student here at West. A student could take anywhere from beginning level courses to those of advanced and independent levels.

Mrs. Sullivan, French teacher, stated: "Foreign languages are required in many colleges and they can be very helpful in obtaining jobs and understanding the English language."

Foreign languages also prove to be helpful on an international level. "Most of Iowa's businesses are export businesses, thus making foreign languages essential to the welfare of our country," commented Mr. Armstrong, Spanish teacher. Mr. Goetz, German teacher, had a similar opinion. "We need foreign languages to be mandatory in order to be competitive with our trading partners and to enhance our young people's lives." Students did find learning a new language rewarding and with these new skills they should have no problems making it on their own. (written by C. Guske)

An accusing finger is pointed at a French Club member as she bobs for an apple at their Halloween costume party. (photo by A. Parker)



A German class unloads their candy bars for their sale to raise money for special activities during the next two years. (photo by C. Guske)

Mr. Armstrong, Spanish teacher, lectures his class on the finer points of the language of Spanish and they listen intently. (photo by K. Redeker)



Preparing For Tomorrow

As a student went down the corridor of the home economics wing, a whiff of freshly baked cookies wafted in the air. Sometimes there was the smell of hot bread baking.

Cooking classes taught the skills necessary for the students who were dreaming of their first apartments and the responsibilities of making it on their own. Said Julie Gauf, '87: "It's interesting. It helps me build up my cooking skills and I like to learn new things that I never tried before."

As the student went further down the hall, the buzz of sewing machines could be heard. There was a different kind of buzzing, though, because they acquired a new sewing

machine this year. It was called a seamer surger. This device trimmed the frills of the seams from swimsuits, lingerie, and many blouses. Said Mrs. Lucas: "It saves a lot of time."

The continued trip down the home economics wing provided students with classes such as Marriage and Family, Single Survival, and Child Development. These classes are offered to prepare students for the problems of life that quickly arise after high school. These home economics courses helped to teach students about responsibilities that they will be assuming when they are truly on their own. (written by T. Zinger)

Carla Schaffer, '87, concentrates on cutting out a pattern so that the finished product proves satisfactory. (photo by M. Parker)



Barbara Bruce, '87, and Lisa Steinke, '87, prepare yet another recipe in their sixth period cooking class. (photo by M. Parker)

New Faces At West This Year



Many new teachers joined the West High School faculty this year. One of these new teachers was Mr. Mark Richter. Mr. Richter, somewhere in his twenties, was added as a new teacher in the chemistry department. He has been teaching for two years with some of this time spent as a teacher's aide. Mr. Richter stated that his favorite things about teaching were the atmosphere of the classroom, the faculty of teachers and the students.

Mr. Richter found his childhood to be strict and traditional, but his parents were very supportive. He also enjoyed the responsibilities that were granted to him by his family. Mr. Richter has three brothers: Steve, Greg and Tim, and two sisters, Mary and Margaret, who are twins. If given the chance to go through something again, he said that it would be his high school years.

When he is not giving a chemistry lecture in class or grading papers, Mr. Richter enjoys many hobbies. Some of these are playing tennis, running and other outdoor sports. He likes to listen to pop music and watch movies like "Fletch" and "Ghostbusters". Traveling is also a pastime that Mr. Richter enjoys. Denver and New York are two places he has traveled.

Mr. Richter thoroughly enjoys teaching here at West High, and he hopes that he will be able to continue teaching here for many years to come.

When he was asked if there was something that he wished to tell students about school, he said, "Be patient and hang in there." (written by T. Zinger)



Yet another new face at West High School this year is Mrs. Rita Ohland. Mrs. Ohland, a new addition to the foreign language department, teaches Spanish. She has been teaching for nineteen years.

Mrs. Ohland is like most teachers in that she loves to teach. When asked what her favorite thing about teaching was, she said, "Seeing the revelation in someone's face when they learn something they did not know is just remarkable."

Mrs. Ohland is married, and has three children: Bonnie, Keith and Ross. Some of her hobbies are gardening and reading. She likes to listen to a variety of music including rock, jazz, country-western and classical. Mrs. Oh-

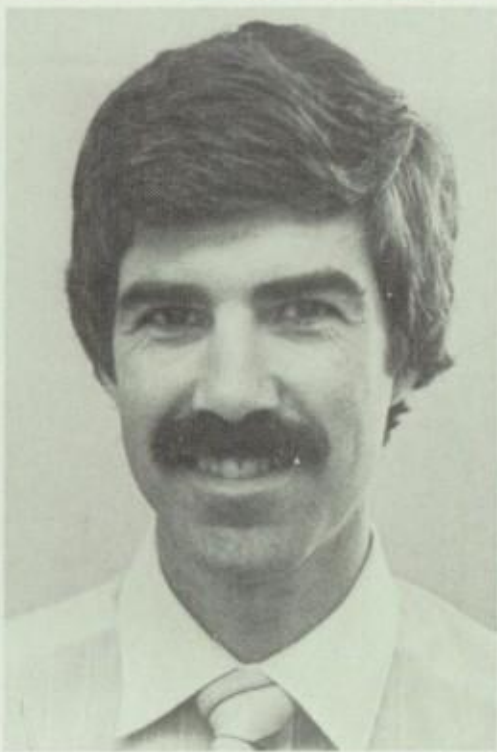
land also enjoys travel. She has been to Mexico, Canada and Florida.

Her home background is full of activity. She has lived in Rock Island for the majority of her life, and she graduated from Alleman High School. Her parents were always encouraging and supporting her and her two sisters, Marilyn and Arline.

"Study much. Learn a lot. These are the best years of your life."

When Mrs. Ohland returns from West High School in the evening, she likes to read the newspaper, kick off her shoes and have a nice cup of tea.

When she was asked what advice she would give students, she replied, "Estudie mucho! Apprenda mucho! Estos son los mejores anos de su vida. Study much. Learn a lot. These are the best years of your life." (written by T. Zinger)

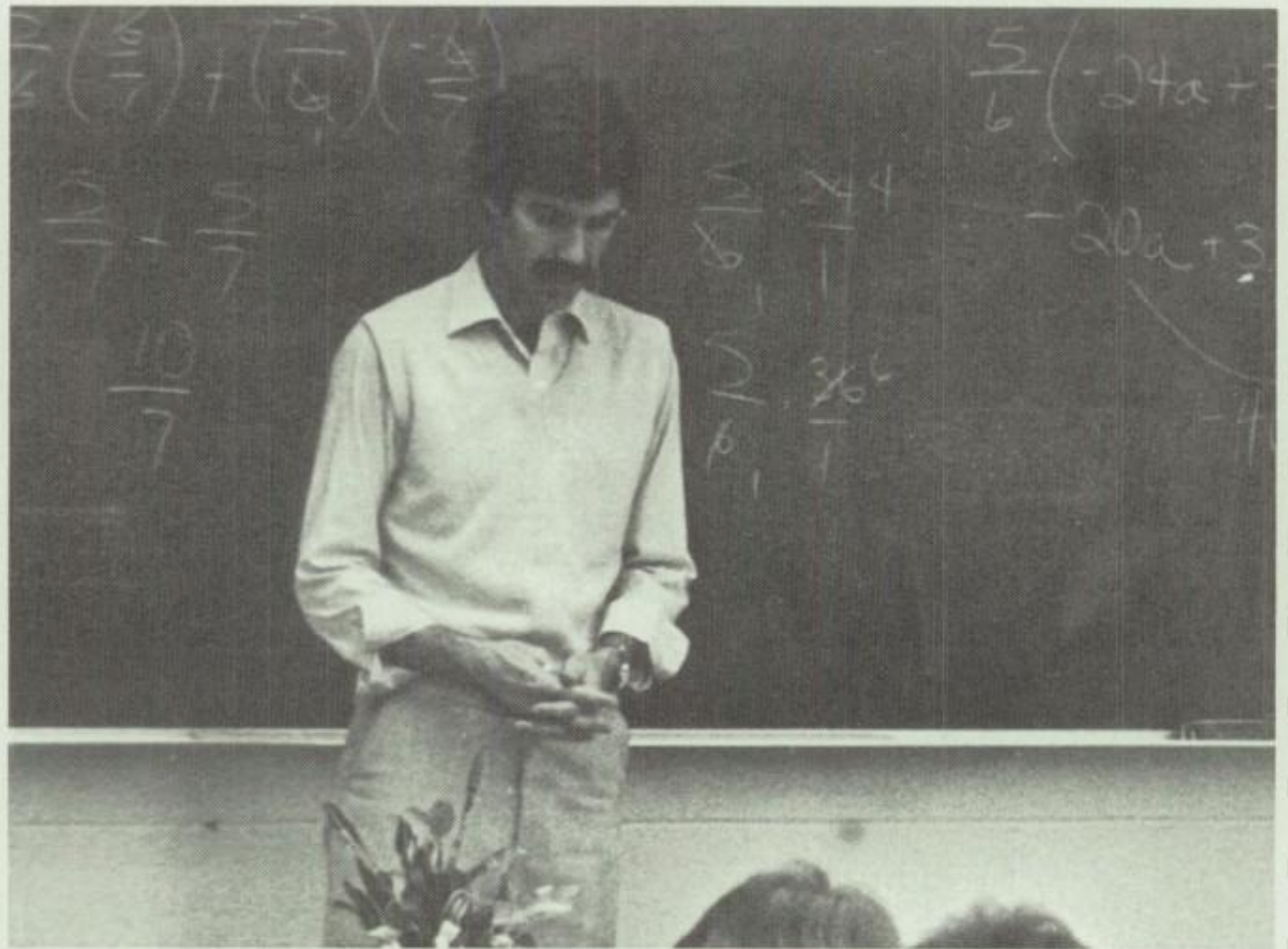


The math department at West High School was also blessed with a new face, Mr. Scott Wolf.

In his early thirties, Mr. Wolf is a very busy man. Having taught for eleven years already, he loves working with students and just being around the faculty. He says that it is very challenging, but enjoyable working at West High.

Mr. Wolf has also gotten involved in the sports here at West High, as he was the girls' volleyball coach this year.

Mr. Wolf is married, and he has a



Mr. Wolf thinks a moment before he tries once again to explain a rather complicated lesson to his students in algebra class. (photo by M. Moscinski)

daughter that is three years old, and his wife was expecting a second child last fall. He comes from a family of five children. His two brothers are Craig and David, and his two sisters are Ann and Nancy. His parents were strict but very supportive through his child-

hood.

Mr. Wolf's favorite hobbies include both watching and participating in sports. He is a birdwatcher too, and he likes to fish. He also loves photography, and he is an amateur photographer. His favorite foods are chicken, and the All-American food, pizza.

Mr. Wolf enjoys listening to both rock and classical music. His favorite television show is "Hill Street Blues," and he likes the movies "Romeo and Juliet" and "The Godfather". He also finds enough time to travel, and he has been to California, the East Coast and Wisconsin.

His advice to students is, "Don't waste these years." (written by T. Zinger)



Mrs. Ohland grins uncontrollably at the way in which a Spanish phrase was translated to English by one of the students in her class. (photo by M. Moscinski)



On Their Own, Minding the Business

Business is becoming more and more important in the working world every year. The business department realized the task of trying to give the students in the various business education classes a taste of the business world and seized the challenge.

Several classes were offered, to all students who were interested, to help them better cope with understanding just what actually goes on after high school, what they might come up against in the future business scene, and the type of human relations they would need in order to survive on a hard-earned job. Two classes in particular that concentrated on these areas were Deca and Coop. These classes spent a great amount of time teaching the students about the much-needed skills demanded from those in the numerous fields of business. As well as the accounting classes where the students learned practical knowledge that would surely benefit any student and aid them in appreciating the efforts behind the scenes in business and secretarial skills, there were classes where the students gained experience in improving shorthand skills, typing skills, necessary office skills, and vital steps in serving in a modern-day office. Thus, while coping with the demands made on today's secretaries, the department was growing stronger in the area of promoting practical use of computers also. (written by J. Wheadon)



(1) Working their fingers to the bone, typists work in a simulated pool to prepare for future careers. (photo by K. Redeker)

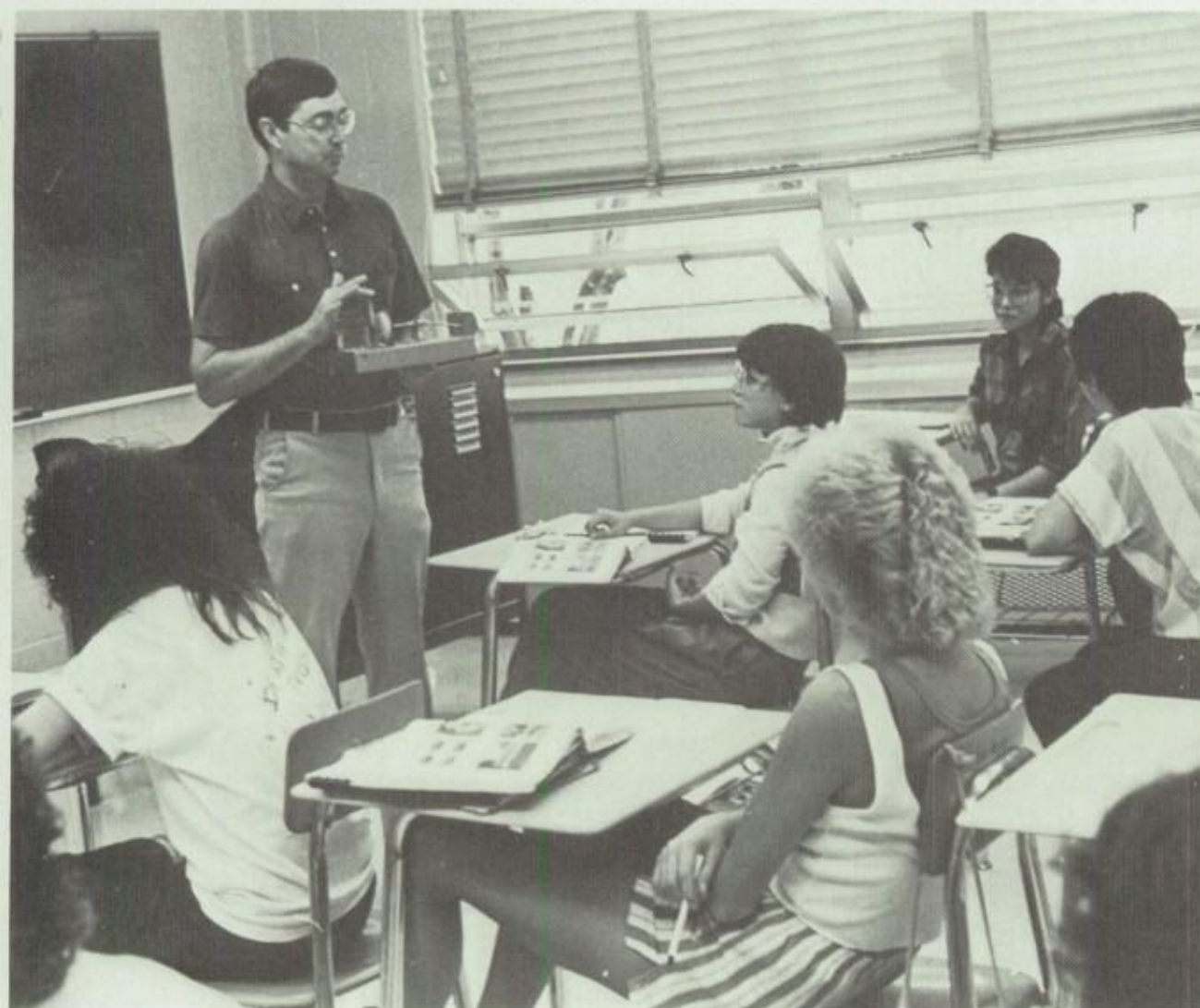
(2) Mrs. Morgan, business teacher, moves around the classroom to check on the students' progress. (photo by K. Redeker)

(3) Students watch their stocks rise and fall in the stock market created in business classes. (photo by K. Redeker)

Falcon-Hawk

Stock Exchange

Jingle, Jingle...aha!...Keys!



"Stay off of the sidewalk! No, not the tree!" Yes, the driver education students were on the roads once again this year.

Driver's education could best be described as the most popular, but scariest class. Students, ranging from no experience to knowledgeable drivers, were placed on the open road with a teacher, a car and many prayers from the back seat.

Along with the rest of the new changes at West this year, a new driver's ed car was added. It was a Chevrolet Celebrity and it added the concept of manual transmission to the class. This car was driven twice or three times by the time students finished the course. **Alida Lee Parker, '88**, stated that, "A lot of people say that it was a pain, but it was a good learning experience."

Along with the concept of manual transmission, driver's education students were exposed to the simulators, classroom learning and driving an automatic car.

Driver's ed was a very worthwhile class for the students, and one of the most rewarding as more students began to jingle keys while walking down the halls of West. (written by C. Guske)

"One must be able to stop!" explains Mr. Greenlee, Driver's Ed. teacher, as he demonstrates the braking system on a car. (photo by K. Rodriguez)

It isn't as easy as sliding this eraser on the chalkboard! as Mr. Hamann explains to these students. (photo by K. Rodriguez)



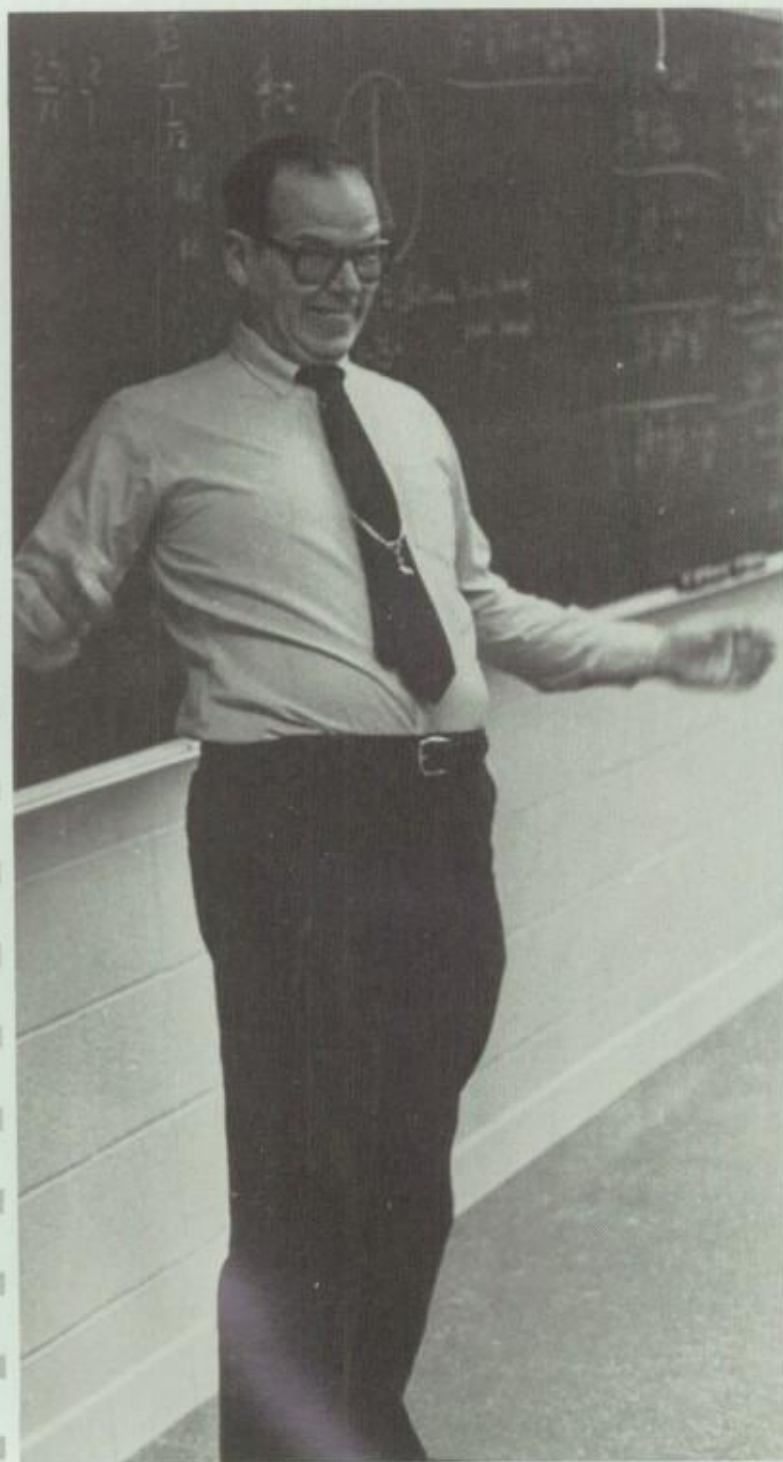
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Math may not have been one of the most exciting classes offered this year at West, but it gave students either the best challenges or the most problems...literally. As many students at West realized, there were a variety of classes to choose from in the math department this year. They ranged from the difficult angle problems of geometry to the a, b, c's of algebra. Then, as the students became more advanced they moved on to the functions of trigonometry and the derivatives of pre-calc. Many students at West also

had the opportunity to step into the world of computers. This field slowly became a part of everyday life in the United States and students at West were able to enter this electronic era with the simple flip of an "on" switch. Many students found themselves solving or working problems on a computer in their classroom. It was also obvious in the job race that math became the new language of the decade. Mrs. Hudson states her advice this way: "Do your homework and take as much math as you can; if you don't you are closing doors on your future." The previous statement readily agrees with **Bridget Speer's** outlook on her advanced math classes: "Although advanced math may not be a necessity in everyday life, it is an invaluable resource in broadening horizons and making decisions about your future." The language of math is an important one, and one that many West High students took very seriously. (written by B. Manock and T. Zinger)



Mr. Wolf explains the often hard to understand technique of solving an algebraic equation to his students. (photo by M. Smothers)



(1) The unpredictable and humorous Mr. Malake finds time to pose before he commences his algebraic activities. (photo by K. Redeker)



(2) And you thought that your calculator was old and worn out! And they even called this the "rapid" model! (photo by K. Redeker)



(3) This trigonometry problem has the whole class talking! Mr. Jones explains it to a student as the rest figure it on their own. (photo by K. Redeker)

Support Leads to Individual Success

Developmental education was designed to strengthen the skills of students who had a rough time understanding the various subjects they were required to take, to offer academic support, and to make counseling available. Through this program, students could receive the help they needed in better understanding the subjects that were necessary for every student to get a grasp on.

Students who had developmental education received the help they needed usually during one class period a day. Each day was

unique, while plans stayed flexible, and good communication continued to flow between the students and the teachers.

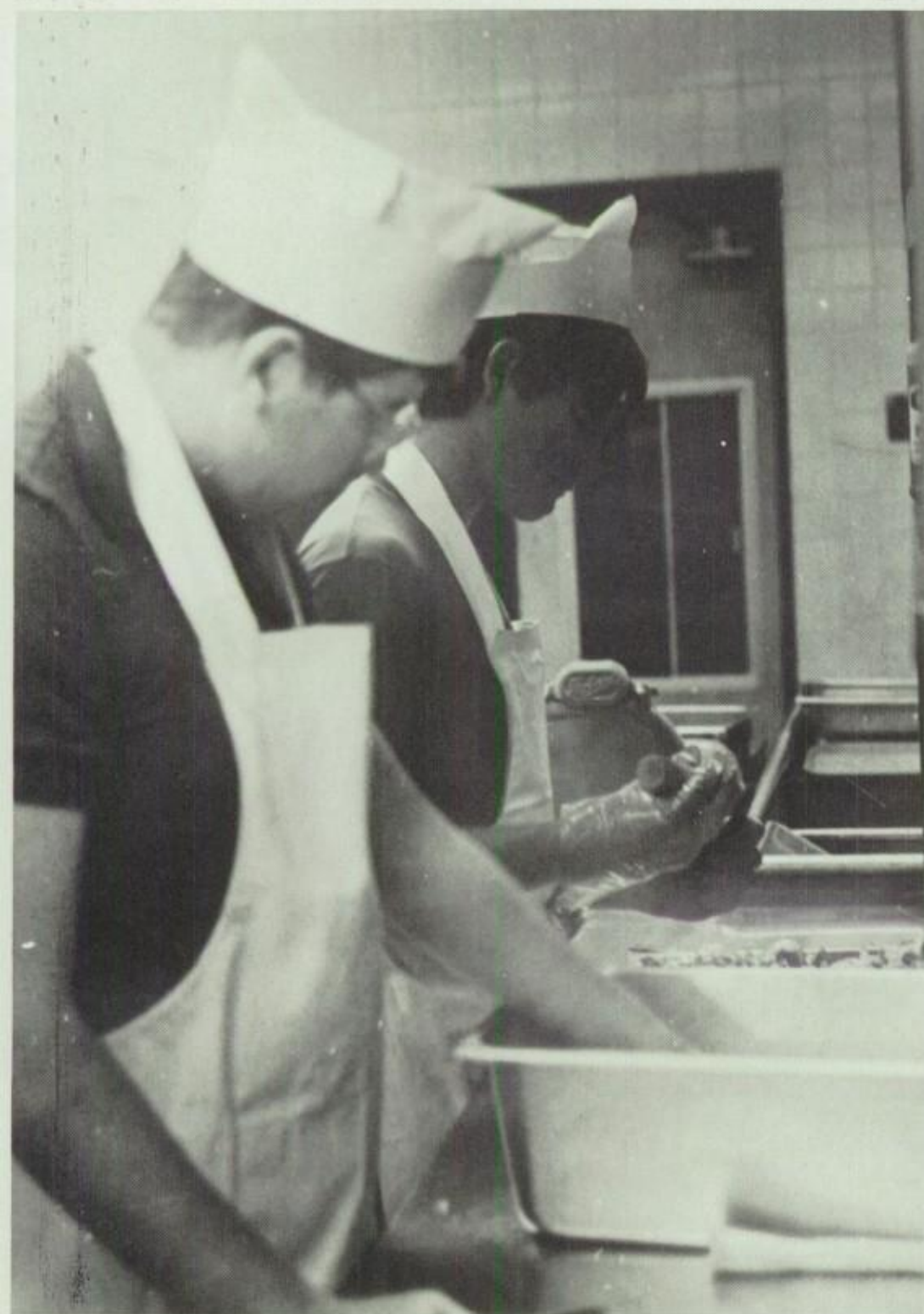
Each teacher in the program was considered to be an expert in the subject area in which he/she taught. Going beyond the normal boundaries, many of the developmental teachers often had the difficult task of contacting as many as 40 teachers about student work so they could be a stronger ally for the student.

Some of the students had a single

classroom setting throughout the day, with their curriculum containing a full range of activities from home economics to math, and from English to the social sciences.

Students were constantly encouraged to draw, read, write poetry, and participate in all the activities within the school.

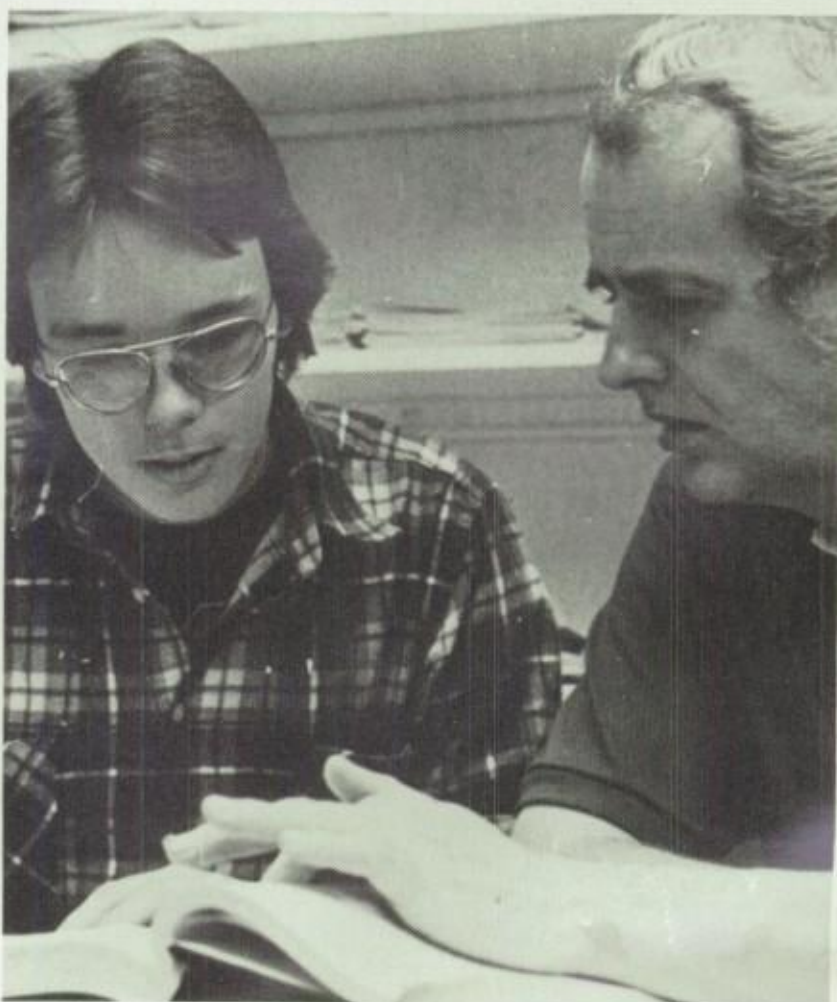
The developmental education program was a valuable learning experience for many students, and it encircled those students who needed the academic support that the program provided. (written by T. Zinger)



(1) Tim Gall, '86, and Larry Steele, '87, lend invaluable assistance to the West cooks everyday. (photo by K. Redeker)

(2) An LDSCI class watches as a dog's heart receives medication in research. (photo by K. Redeker)

(3) Mr. Dwayne Hanson and Steve Humphrey, '87, go over some tough math. (photo by K. Redeker)



Ain't Is on Page 27, Webster's Dictionary!

Yes folks, ain't is a word, but it was not the only item discussed in the language arts classes this year. Twain, Hawthorne, Poe and Crane were just a few of the names that were discussed in many Language Art classes this year. Among the Literature Arts classes offered this year were World Literature and American Authors, and each of these classes as well as other Literature classes dealt in the exploration of many famous authors through essays, poetry, and theme writing.

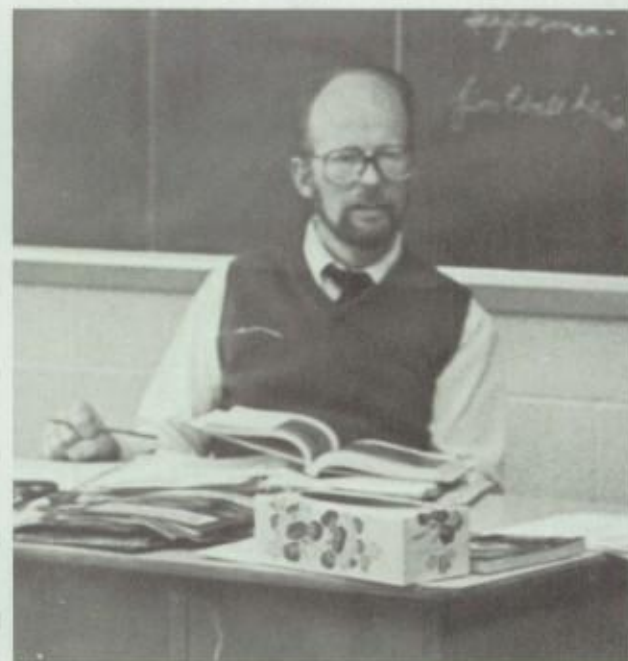
Another type of English class offered this year was the actual creative writing class. Called Writing Experiences and Writer's Studio as well as many other variations, these courses were designed to allow the students to broaden their writing skills as well as explore many other techniques of writing.

One of the extra-curricular activities

offered to students interested in furthering their writing skills was the "EYAS", West's literary magazine. Students were asked to submit poetry, essays, themes and artwork to the "EYAS" and its advisor, Mr. Handlen, and a staff of students chose the literature that was to be included in the magazine which was published in the Spring.

Many students recognized the importance of English in their lives this year as they furthered their studies in grammar, composition, and the exploration of the greatest writers of all time.

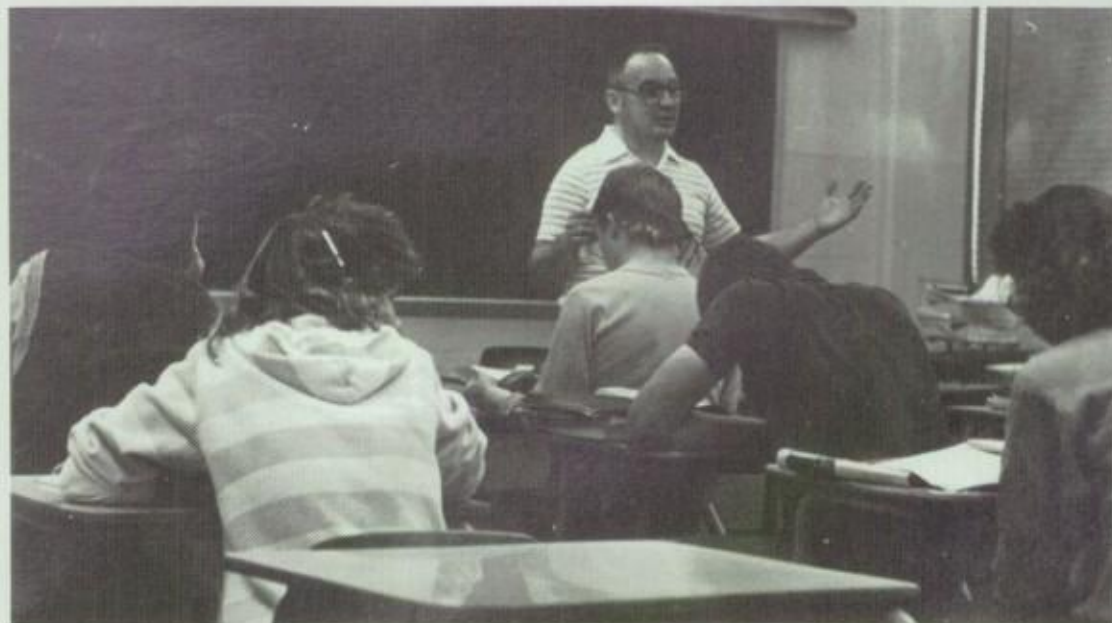
"I've learned many creative and skillful ways to write which will help me further my English studies in college and beyond," stated Dawn Zastrow, '86. (by B. Manock and T. Zinger)



Mr. Richard Hedeon, language arts teacher, decides how to answer a student's question in an understandable manner. (photo by K. Redeker)

(1) Chris Heese, '87, is being interviewed by Mike Flaherty, vice-president of Miller Container Corp. for his Writing Update class. (photo by K. Redeker)

(2) Mr. Ripslinger explains to his language arts class the points of a play they are about to read. (photo by K. Redeker)



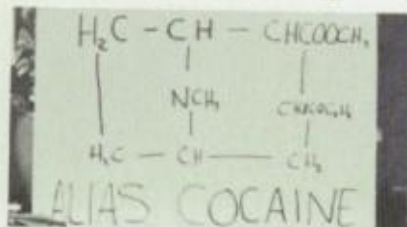
Halley's Comet...Extra Credit Galore!



Kim Jeys, '87, looks into her microscope in science class to hopefully find the desired results. (photo by T. Zinger)



Nancy Spillers, '86, calculates the results to her chemistry to find her research successful. (photo by T. Zinger)



Just a little more water and I will have created the best grape Kool-Aid that Mr. Hudson has ever tasted!

What only comes approximately every 75 years and can be seen with a pair of binoculars? No, sorry it was not Santa Claus. This rare sight was Halley's Comet. With the coming of this comet, the science classes at West were blessed with an experiment right in front of their eyes.

Mr. Tucker, physics teacher, said that his classes had the opportunity to, "calculate the distance of closest and farthest approach to the sun." The students also found out interesting facts like the orbit of the comet is very elliptical in that it travels as close as the planet Mercury and as far away as the planet Pluto.

But comets were not the only topic discussed in the science department this year. A variety of courses ranging from zoology to chemistry to biology to physics and beyond were taught. This beyond class, known as APP Chemistry, proved helpful to the students who took it. **Nate Smith, '86**, stated, "It helped me to prepare for college and my pre-med degree, too."

Mr. Hudson, science teacher, commented on why he thought science was such an important area. "We are becoming a science oriented world, and we need to have a broad base to understand the products we buy and use." When was the last time you read your toothpaste label? (written by C. Guske)



Sometimes the test question takes more thought than the student thinks, but the hand on head technique is often successful. (photo by T. Zinger)

Around the World and Through Time

We have all heard of presidents, events, locations and people somewhere in a history class taken at West. If not, check to make sure the history requirement for graduation was met! We also learned about the people who helped to shape our world from ancient to modern time. The courses offered in the social studies department included American Government, Contemporary American History, geography, psychology and world history. These are just a sampling of the classes that West students took during the school year.

In world history students studied about the cultures of the world the locations of countries and general information on those selected countries.

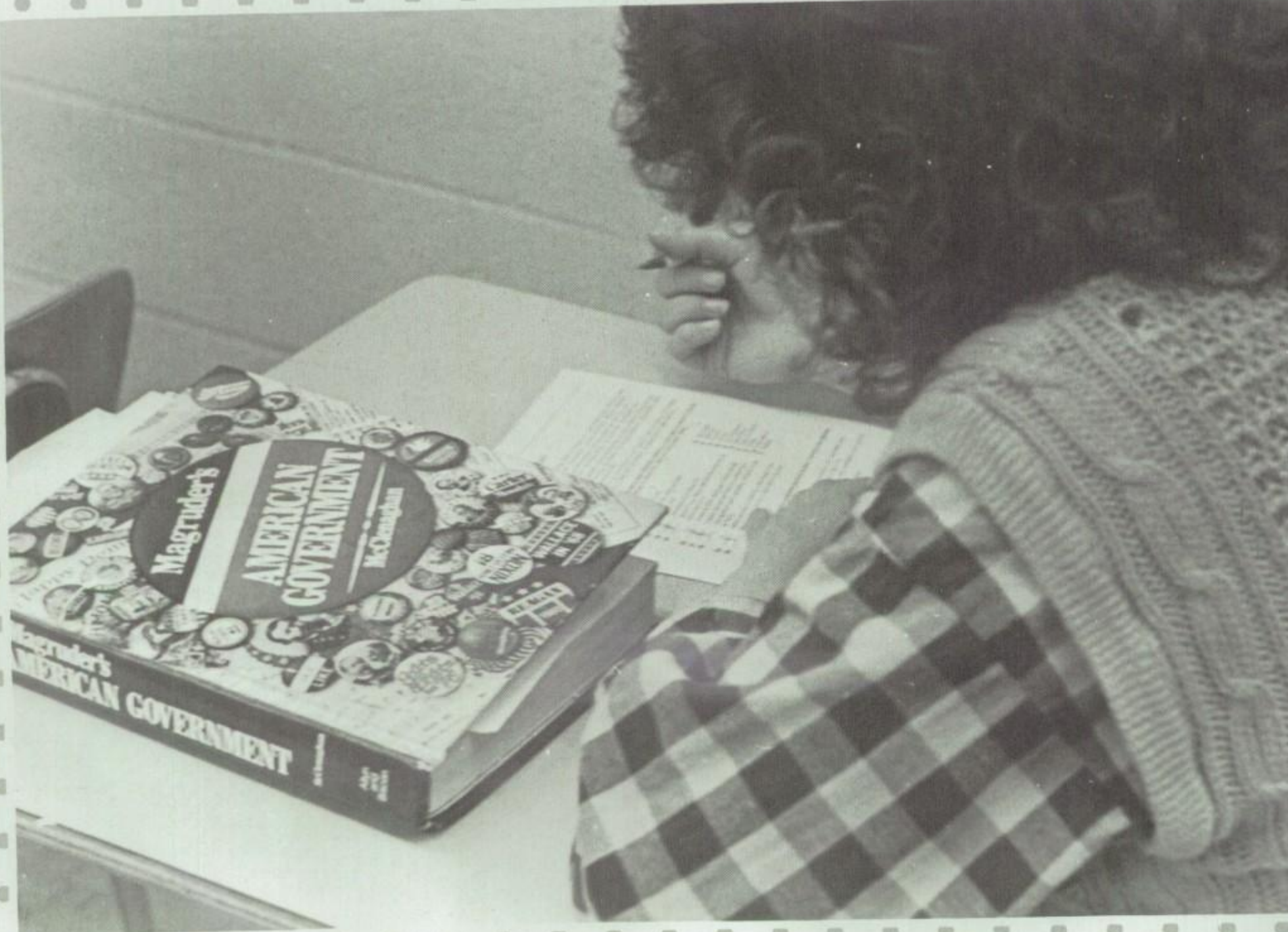
American Government taught students about our local, state and national governments. Said **Karie Ferrel**, '87, "Our teacher

tells us about the news today and his past experiences. It's something we can learn a lot about, and it shows us how we live today."

Geography showed the students the locations of many places around the world. It also taught about the different cultures and where and how people live. **Lori Zavitz**, '87, said, "I've learned a lot. It is a good class to take if you want to learn about different people and land features of the world."

These social studies classes enriched the students' lives by showing them the lifestyles and cultures of many peoples and how they make it on their own. (written by C. Guske and T. Zinger)

Brian Werner, '87, works diligently in his American Government class which helps him to understand politics better. (photo by M. Parker)



This American Government book has its share of hardships with worksheets and notes stuffed in it and the daily from students. (photo by M. Parker)

Breaking Out of the Routine of Academics



Missy Devlin, '86, concentrates on her music in order to play a perfect performance. (photo by M. Parker)



Here we are in "Ceramics 101", where students created such works of art every day and displayed them for the student body. (photo by T. Zinger)

School days here at West this year could have gotten rather repetitious and boring for students taking all academic courses. Many students decided to break out of this routine and choose from a variety of classes in the fine arts department.

Art courses were part of this department and the courses offered included painting, drawing, ceramics and metalcrafts. The art students were busy this year creating new and exciting features for West in the form of artwork displayed around the school. **June Williams, '86**, stated, "Art helps people see things in a more appreciative way."

The vocal and instrumental music courses were also included in fine arts. From theory to aCappella to marching band, all of the aspects of music were covered. The band students were involved in many activities such as playing at football and basketball games and performing at concerts and festivals. The vocal students participated in the West High drama productions and groups such as Show Choir and Chamber Choir. The vocal and instrumental department also sent ten students to the 1985 All-State Music Festival in Ames, to perform with some of the most talented high school music students in Iowa. **Missy Fields, '86**, exclaimed, "It's an experience that gets you very enthusiastic over music!" These honors and the variety found in the courses made the fine arts department worthwhile for many students. (written by C. Guske)

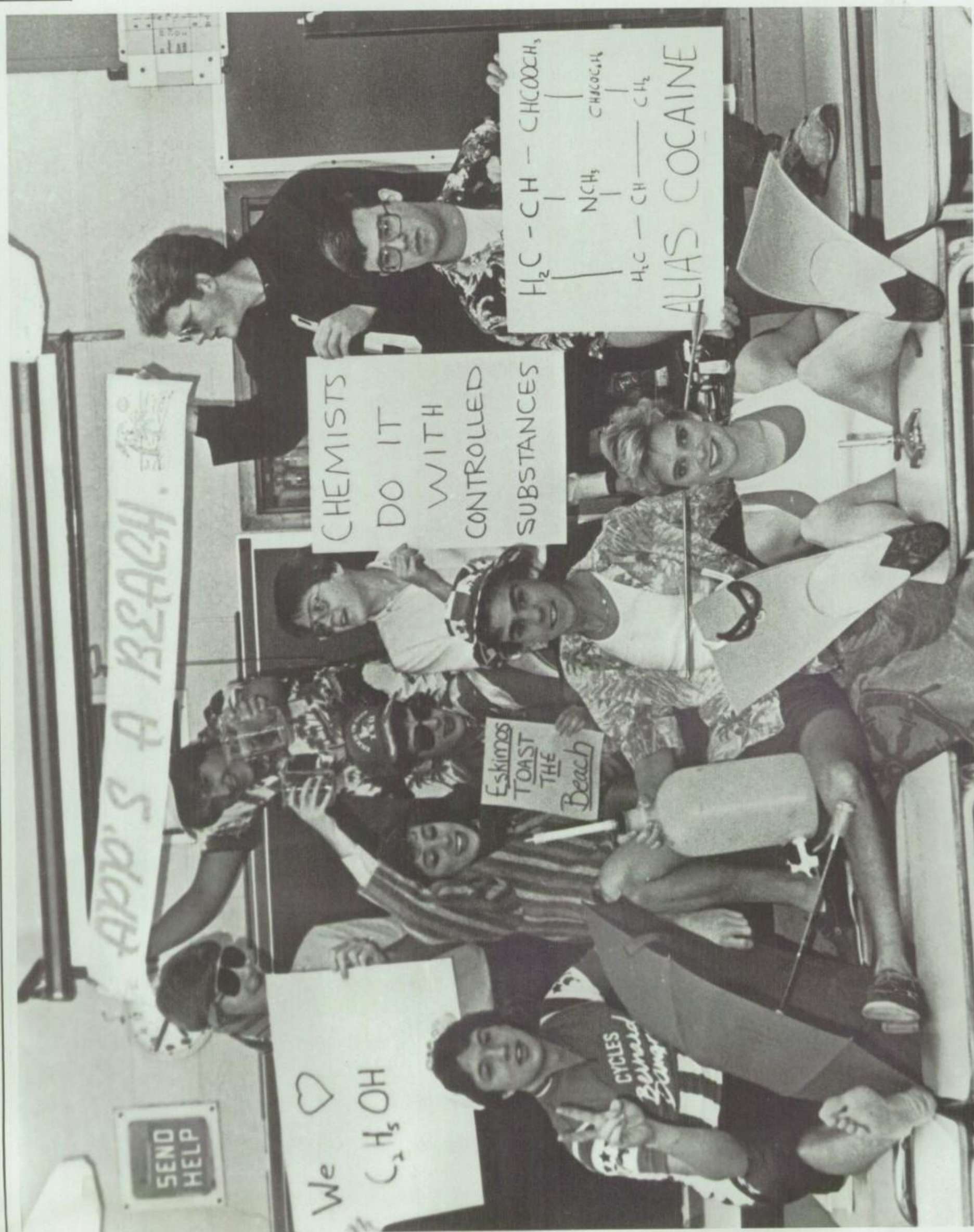


1985 All-State Music Festival participants. FRONT ROW: Tiffany Hansen, Julie Lowder, Missy Fields, Connie Lawson and Rick Schaffer. SECOND ROW: Julie Holst, Stacey Graham, Steve Fisk, Lars Negstad and Bill Paarmann. (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Missy Fields, '86, expresses her talent as she auditions for one of the school's dramatic productions. (staff photo)

APP IS A BEACH



FIRST ROW: Brent Anderson, Amy Navarre SECOND ROW: Kurt Helfter, Chris Gruenhagen, Eric Banks, Todd Frerichs, James Kupitz
THIRD ROW: Kevin Bracker, Nate Smith, Jeff Paustian

APP English Per. 3

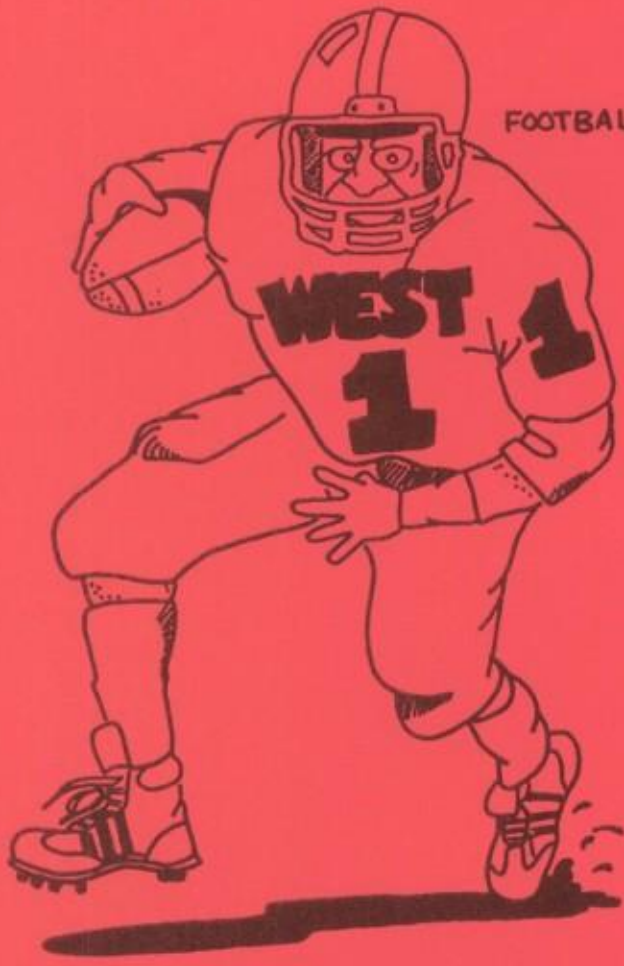


FIRST ROW: Pam Montgomery, Brad Harken, Jen Berta SECOND ROW: Julie Lowder, Connie Lawson, Missy Fields, Andrea Carruthers, Phil Iverson, Nancy Spillers, Pam Moorhead, THIRD ROW: Pam Griffin, Tammy Hurt, Cathy Guske, Debbi Heopner, Bridget Foley, Mary Walters, Gina Krambeck, FOURTH ROW: Mr. Handlen, Paul Schliekleman, Brent Anderson, Jenell Arnold, Julian Gutierrez, Bill Paarman

APP English Per. 4



FIRST ROW: Becky Greenwalt, Dawn Zastrow, Aimee Harrington, Jodi Harrington, Nate Smith, SECOND ROW: Michelle Parker, Pam Theissman, Michelle Wagner, Marcia Klindt, Wendy Yanacheak, Mike Doran, Kevin Braker, Jeff Dietz, Brian Brinkley, Greg Rios, Brad McDermott, Brad Cunningham



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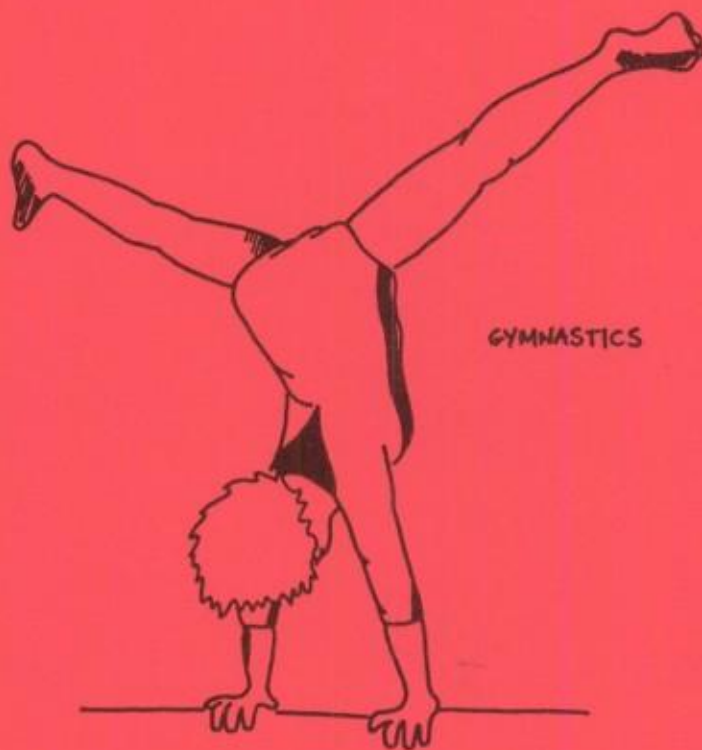
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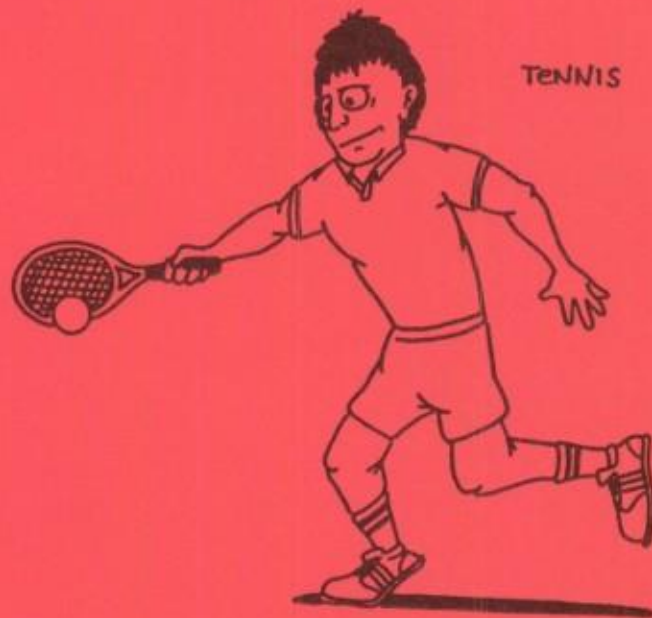
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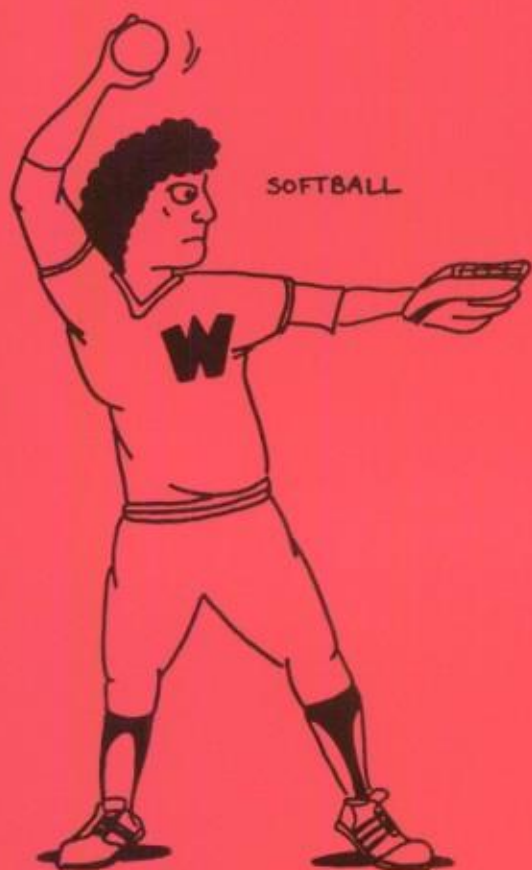
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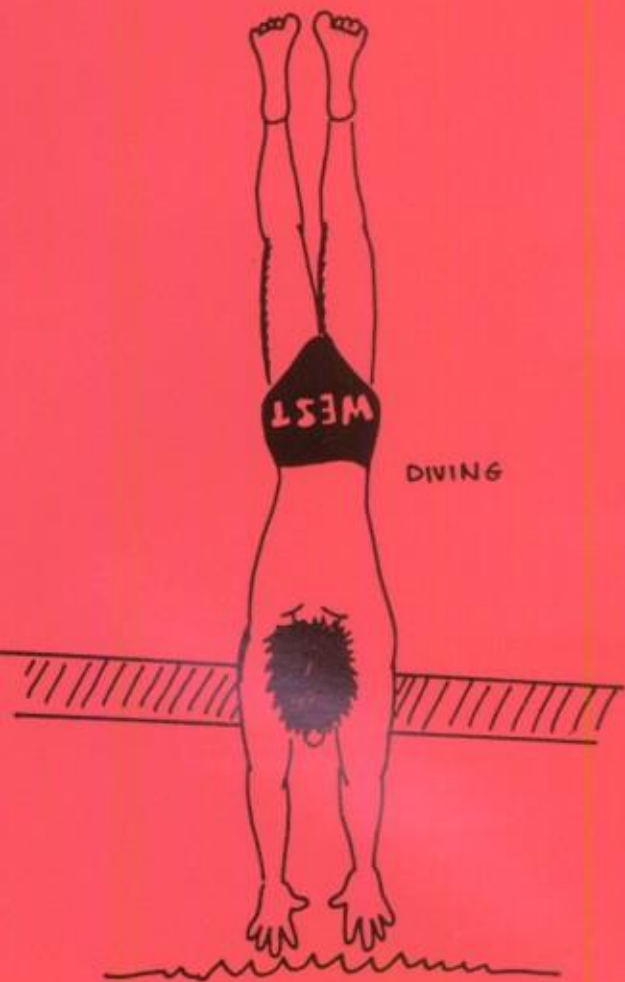
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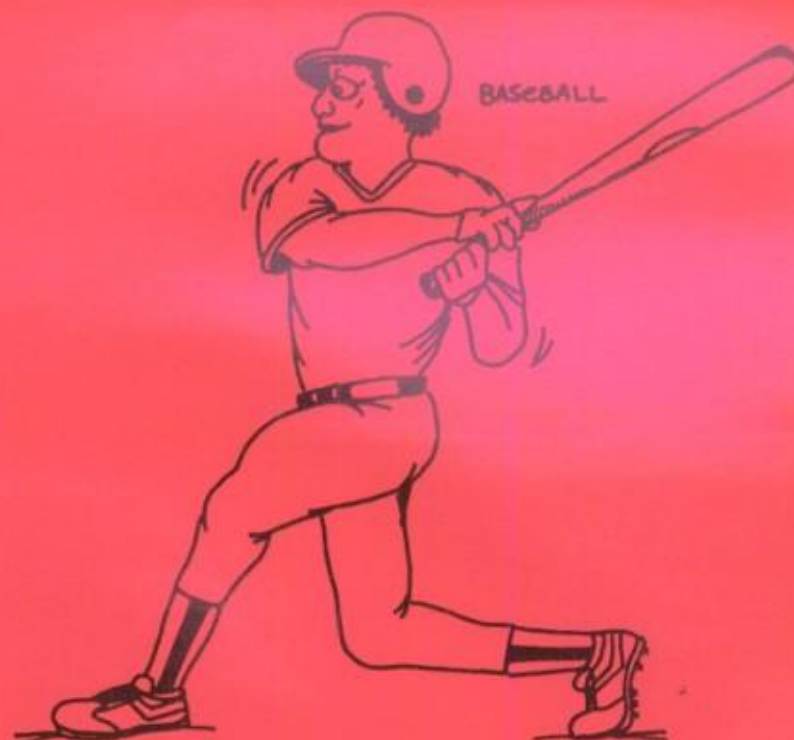
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Sophs Slug Their Way to First

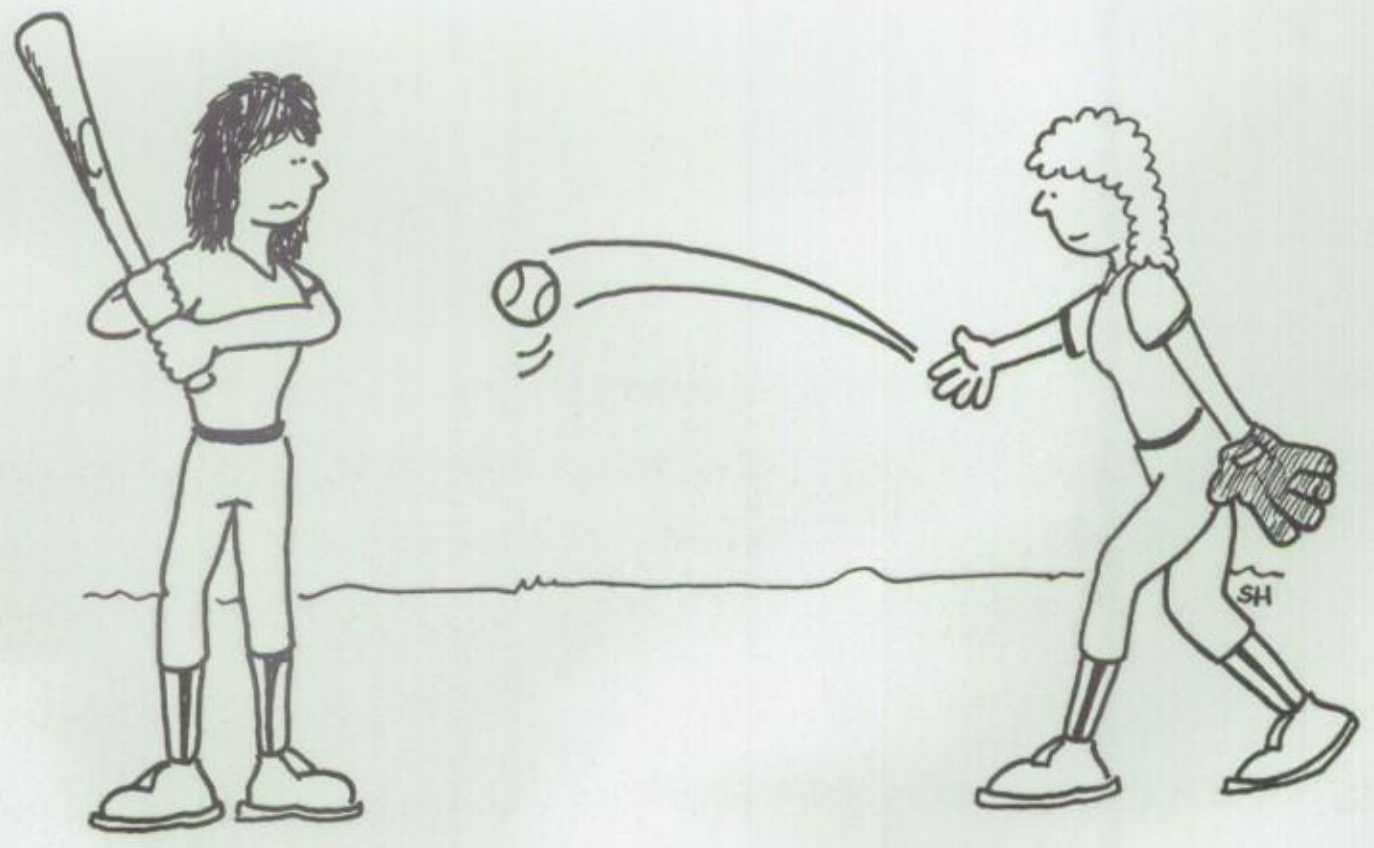
"It was my most enjoyable season coaching softball," exclaimed girls' sophomore Coach Jerry Teel. "I couldn't have worked with a better group of girls," Coach Teel added. The girls ended their season with a 22-6 record. "We had such a great time this past season that it was sad when the season ended," exclaimed Jenny Oaks, '87.

The season began in a slump as the Falcons won two out of the first six games. After that, the fighting Falcons took off and lost only two games out of 22 games. "We were on a roll, and we didn't stop," exclaimed Diane Miller enthusiastically.

With the opening of North High School, this was Mr. Teel's last year as a Falcon Coach. "I am going to miss the girls a lot, but I will see them next season when the Wildcats face them. They are a great group of girls and they will be hard to beat," replied Coach Teel a bit sadly. (written by D. Zastrow)

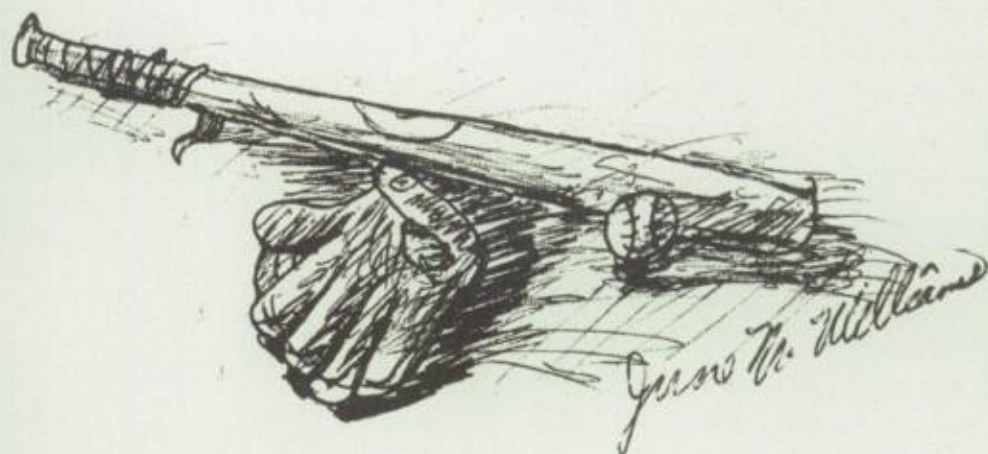


FRONT ROW: Chris Rider, Diane Miller, Amy Rose, Kelly Willert, Kristin Main, Amanda Jones, and Julie Sciven. BACK ROW: Coach Collins, Dawn Paulsen, Mary Beth Baker, Kim Oaks, Veronica Trevino, and Sue Scradler. Coach Teel. (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)

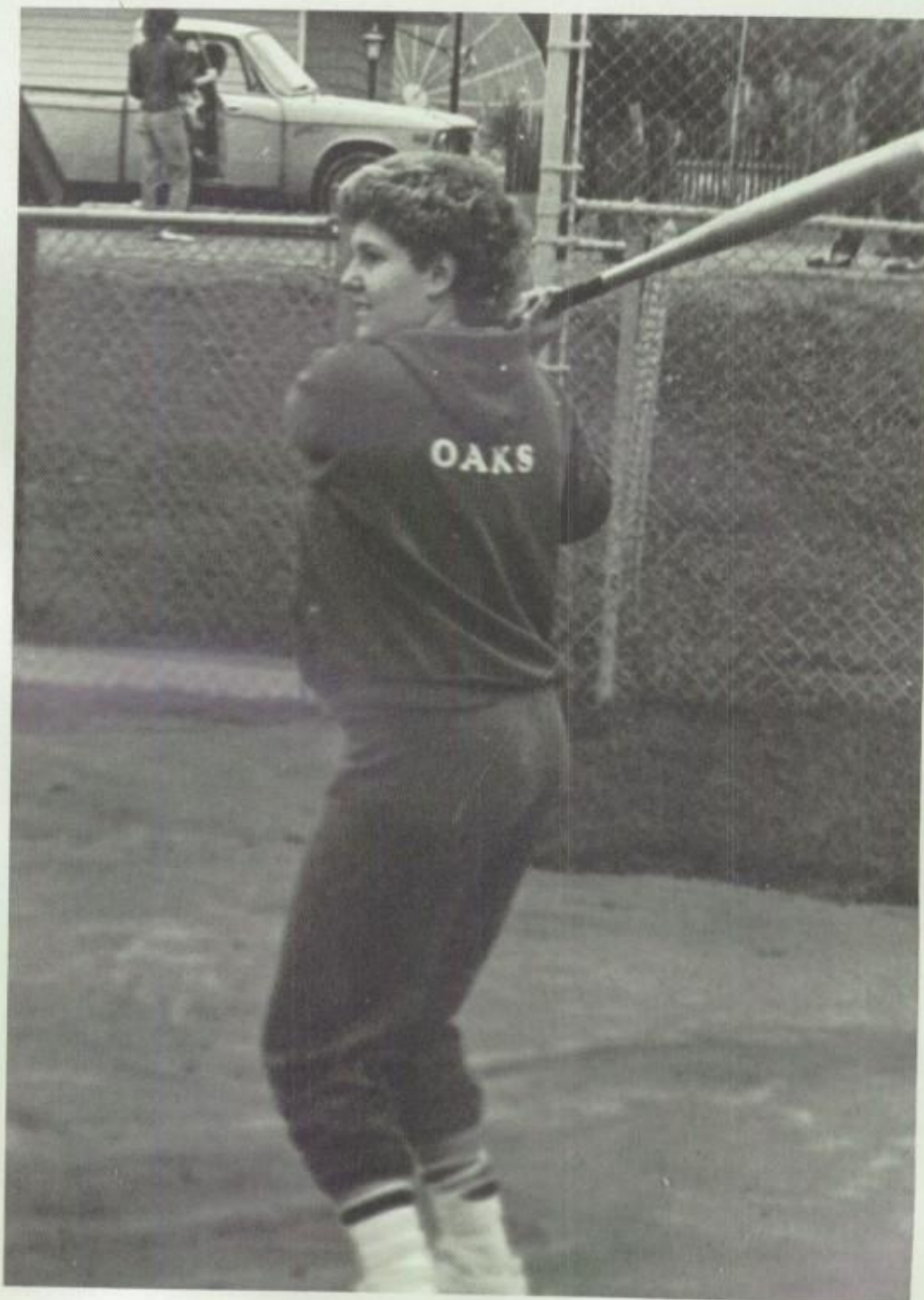




Catching the ball takes total concentration and lots of determination, as all the players on the soph team know. (photo by S. Lyle)



SOPHOMORE SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD '86		
We	OPPONENT	They
4	ASSUMPTION	13
8	ASSUMPTION	0
6	BURLINGTON	7
5	BURLINGTON	10
9	CENTRAL	2
6	CENTRAL	13
3	NORTH SCOTT	1
7	NORTH SCOTT	5
11	BETTENDORF	0
14	BETTENDORF	1
7	CLINTON	2
10	CLINTON	9
3	ASSUMPTION	7
14	ASSUMPTION	2
9	PLEASANT VALLEY	10
10	PLEASANT VALLEY	0
7	CENTRAL	6
15	CENTRAL	5
3	NORTH SCOTT	0
16	NORTH SCOTT	1
18	MUSCATINE	12
5	MUSCATINE	9
11	BETTENDORF	4
11	BETTENDORF	1
12	PLEASANT VALLEY	8
10	PLEASANT VALLEY	2
18	CLINTON	3
	CLINTON	4



Batter Up! Kim Oaks prepares to slam that ball way out for a home run. (photo by S. Lyle)

Softball Hits Conference Title

"It was a very successful season," according to Steven Saladino, head coach of the girls varsity softball team, and indeed it was with a 41-10-1 overall season and pulling ahead to be the Mississippi Eight Conference Champs. The season began with a doubleheader against Assumption, which the Falcons were one for one with the scores of 3-5 and 4-2. The Falcons went on to Burlington, and then were face to face with the city rival, Central. The Falcons suffered a disappointing loss to the Blue Devils, but then, thanks to an excellent offense, and superb pitching by first team All-State pitcher Jodee Ogden, '86, the Falcons made a turn around during the second game of the doubleheader and flew by the Blue Devils 8-0.

"The most surprising game of the season," according to Coach Saladino, "was the district game against North Scott." With Stacy McKee, '87, at the pitcher's mound, the Falcons soared past the Lancers 7-1. "It was a well pitched game by Stacy McKee and an excellent

defense backing her up," replied Jodee Ogden, '86.

Although the Falcons didn't reach their goal of reigning state champs, the Falcons had a successful season overall. Dawn Lange, '86, summed up the season as, "a really fun and exciting season." (by D. Zastrow)



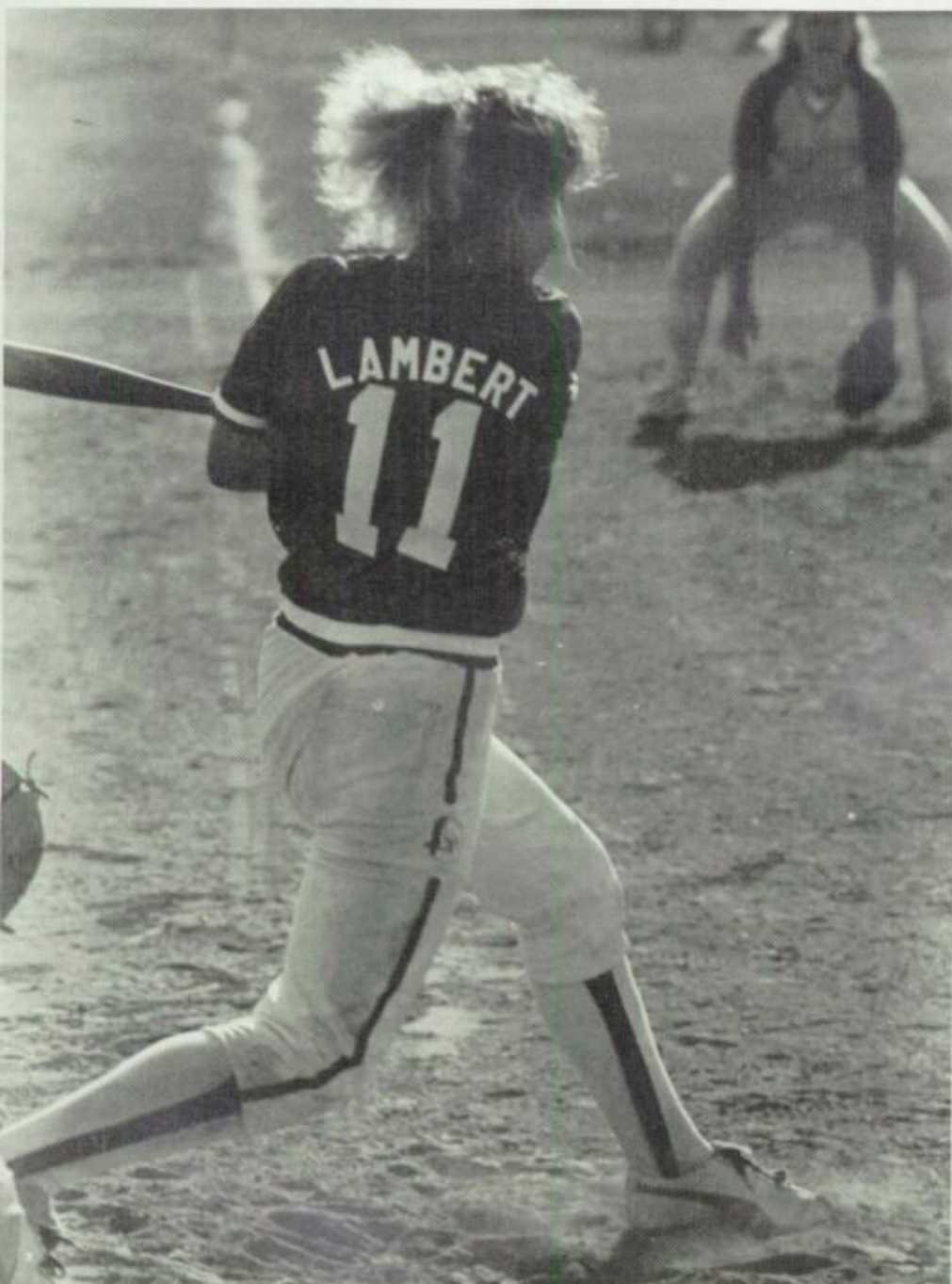
Jodee Ogden windmills another strike-out. (photo by S. Lyle)



FIRST ROW: drop, drop, Teresa Vastine, Julie Lambert, Cindy Robinson, Dawn Lange, SECOND ROW: Coach Saladino, Julie Loken, drop, Jodee Ogden, Stacy McKee, Kim Bennett, Beth Wardlow, Jane Imming, manager Pam Eis, Assistant Coach Harrig. NOT PICTURED: Veronica Trevino, manager Sue Schrader.



Stacy McKee ponders the batter's next move. (photo by S. Lyle)



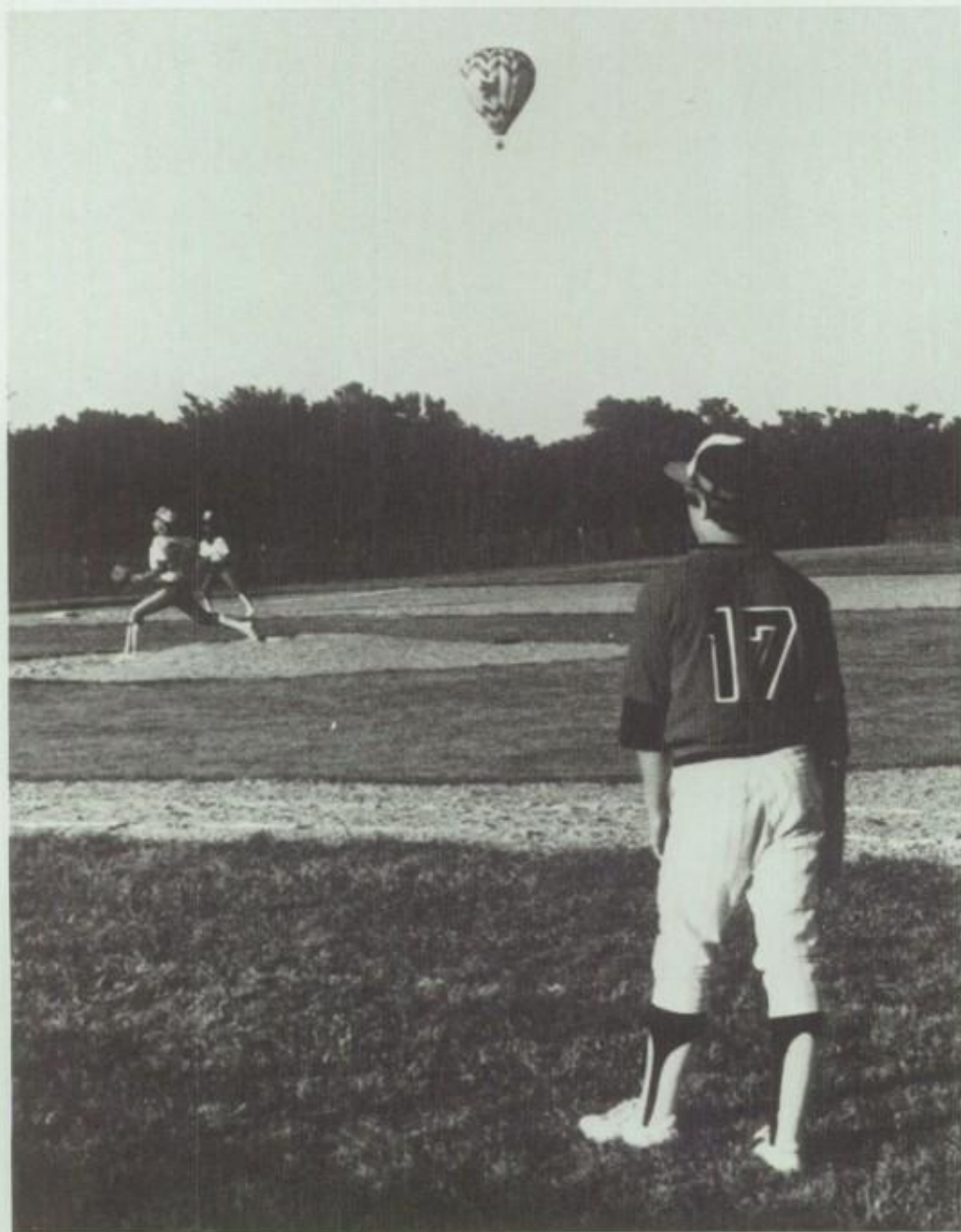
Julie Lambert swings away with all her power. (photo by S. Lyle)

VARSITY SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD '86		
OPPONENT		They
WE	ASSUMPTION	9
3	ASSUMPTION	2
4	BURLINGTON	1
5	BURLINGTON	4
6	BURLINGTON	1
7	CENTRAL	0
8	CENTRAL	0
9	NORTH SCOTT	1
0	NORTH SCOTT	0
1	NORTH CLINTON	1
2	CLINTON	0
3	ASSUMPTION	2
4	BURLINGTON	0
5	MUSCATINE	2
6	MUSCATINE	0
7	ASSUMPTION	4
8	BURLINGTON	2
9	CENTRAL	0
0	CENTRAL	0
1	NORTH SCOTT	0
2	NORTH SCOTT	2
3	MUSCATINE	1
4	MUSCATINE	0
5	BETTENDORF	0
6	BETTENDORF	0
7	CLINTON	2
8	CLINTON	0
9	BETTENDORF	4
0	BETTENDORF	0
1	ASSUMPTION	0
2	CENTRAL	1
3	NORTH SCOTT	5
4	MAQUOKETA	1
5	PLEASANT VALLEY	0
6	DUBUQUE	0
7		4



ABOVE: Stacy McKee ready for action. RIGHT: Jane Imming at bat. BELOW: Julie Loken swings away. (photos by S. Lyle)

Sophomores Take Reign As Conference Champs



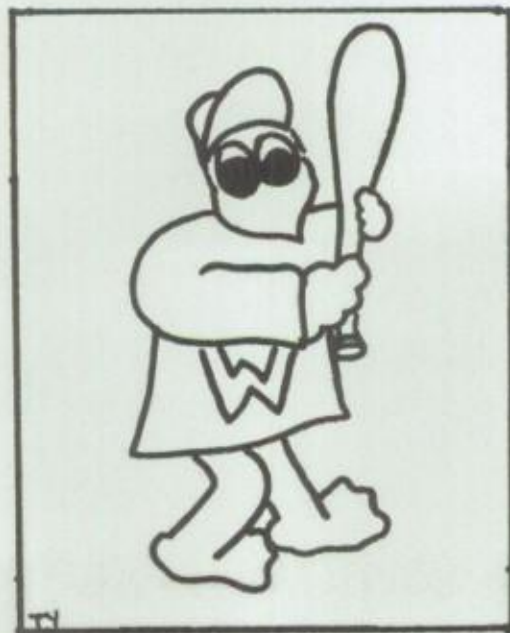
A lone Blue Devil and some unusual spectators in a hot-air balloon watch Bobby Hartman strike out another opponent. (photo by K. Redeker)

One word to describe the Sophomore Baseball team: awesome. This word suits the Falcons as they batted their way to a 24-2 overall and 13-1 conference seasons and also capturing the crown as sophomore conference champs. "We had a hard working team, and it paid off in the end," replied head coach Mike Kielkoph.

The Falcons performed with ability and togetherness throughout the season. One such game was against the Blue Devils. "It was a really close game and they were really tough, but with some good hits and an excellent defense, we pulled it off," exclaimed Jeff Ryan, '88. The Falcons defeated the Blue Devils 7-6.

"We had some excellent pitchers and a strong defense this season, and the guys will be able to help the varsity out a lot next

year," Coach Kielkoph explained. "They were a great bunch of kids, and I am looking forward to next season," Coach Kielkoph added. "The season was a lot of hard work, but it was fun," concluded Kent Cesler '88. (written by D. Zastrow)



Coach Sammons silently watches the game while pondering the Falcon's next move. (photo by K. Redeker)

SOPHOMORE BASEBALL SCOREBOARD '86		
<u>We</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>They</u>
9	Assumption	0
0	North Scott	1
5	Bettendorf	0
10	Clinton	3
9	Assumption	0
6	Burlington	0
12	Burlington	2
4	Central	0
7	Central	6
11	North Scott	1
10	Muscatine	0
11	Muscatine	6
14	Bettendorf	1
7	Clinton	1



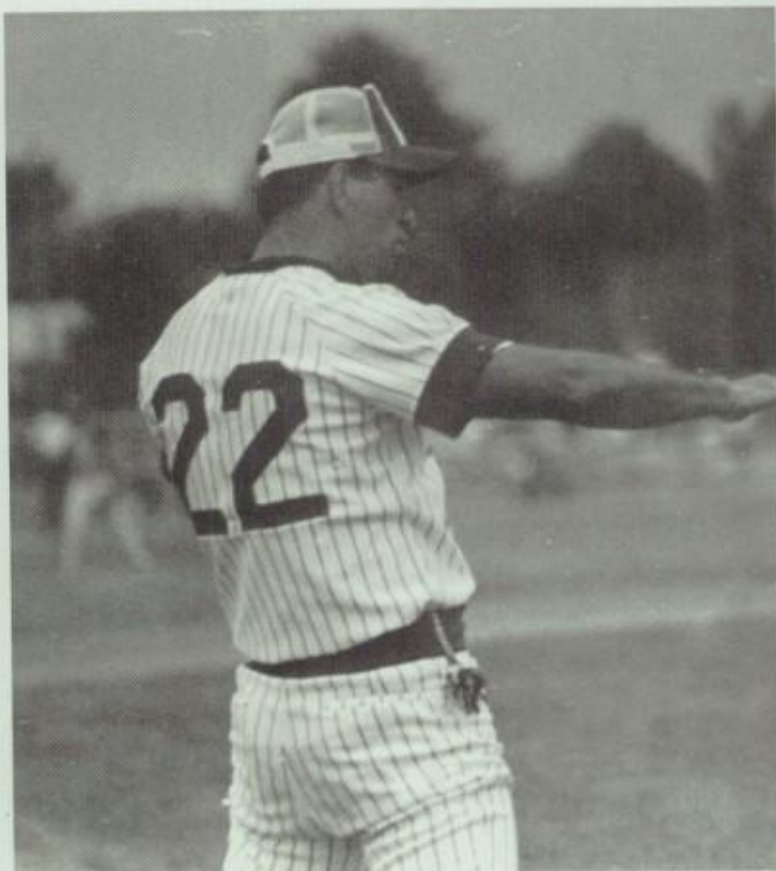
FIRST ROW: Jeff Ryan, Ryan Cooley, Kent Cesler, Kenny Ockerman, and Dennis Coiner. SECOND ROW: Randy McDermott, Bobby Hartman, Derek Sandknop, Troy Nicholson, and Todd Adams. THIRD ROW: Coach Mike Kielkoph, Steve Howland, Cory Hund, Chris Hesse, Mike Schnieder, and Mike Lueth. Coach Les Sammon (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)




Ryan Cooley swings away for a single as the Falcons go on to squeeze by the Blue Devils 7-6. (photo by K. Redeker)



FIRST ROW: Brian Kennedy, Pete Vogt, Matt Ricks, Brad McDermott, Todd Burken; SECOND ROW: Doug Dorris, Gary Buckles, Scott Farmer, Brent Anderson, Doug Coiner; THIRD ROW: Coach Souhrada, Neil Smith, Eric Long, Mike Erwin, Jeff Phillips, Coach Zim.



Coach Souhrada instructs. (photo by S. Lyle)

		
VARSITY BASEBALL SCOREBOARD '86		
We	Opponent	They
2	Assumption	1
7	Burlington	5
10	North Scott	6
13	Central	2
2	Bettendorf	0
3	Assumption	7
9	Clinton	1
8	Burlington	4
8	Muscatine	4
13	Central	3
4	North Scott	2
8	Muscatine	2
3	Bettendorf	1
2	Clinton	1



Jeff Phillips, determined to make a homerun. (photo by S. Lyle)

Falcons Soar To Conference Champs



Coach Souhrada signals Brad McDermott to hold. (photo by S. Lyle)



Brian Kennedy leans forward: another strike! (photo by S. Lyle)



Scott Farmer congratulates teammates on win. (photo by S. Lyle)

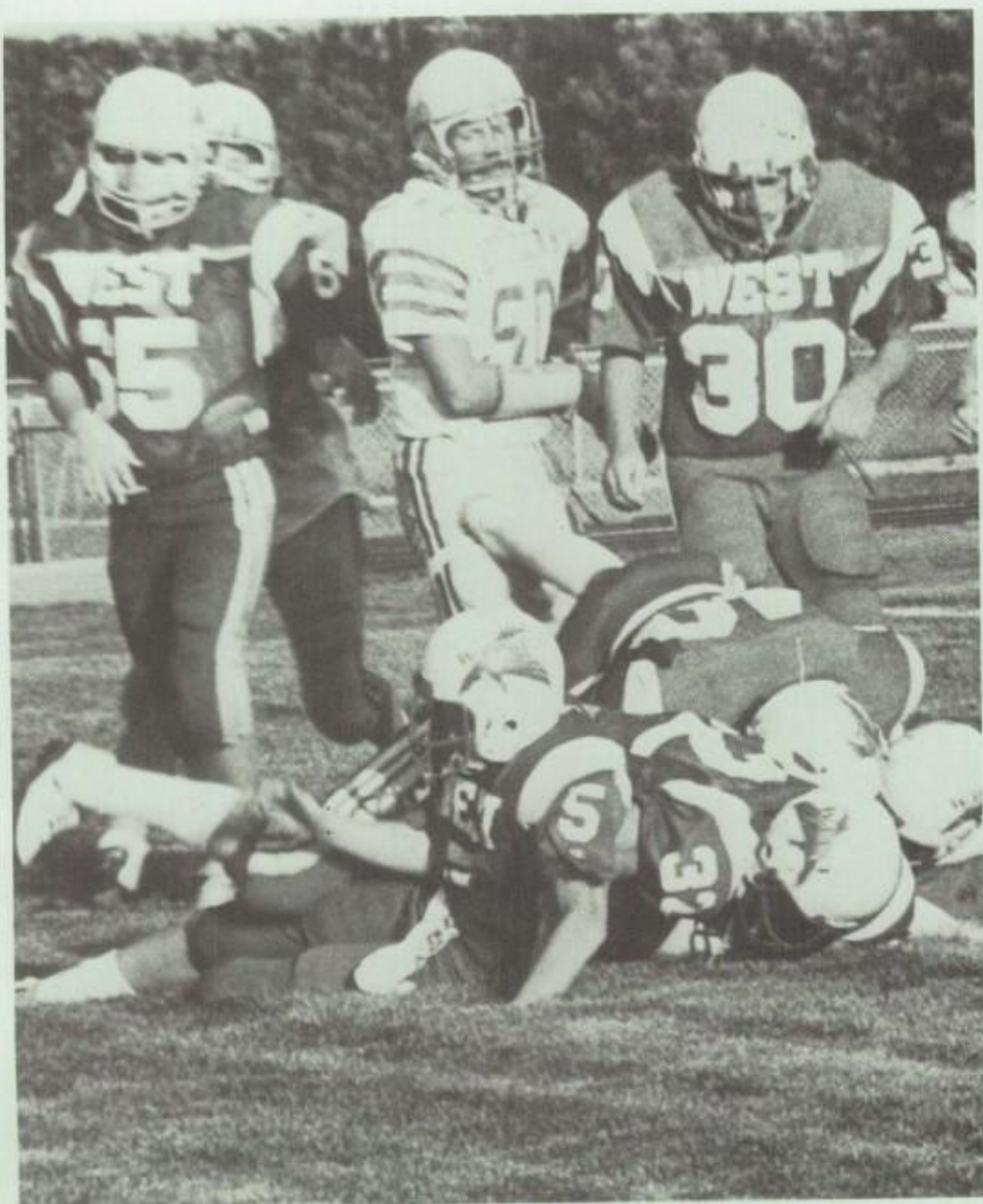
With a 13-1 conference season, the Boys' Varsity Baseball Team swung their way to Mississippi Eight Conference Champs.

"The team played up to their potential and above, during the conference season," Mr. Tom Souhrada, head varsity baseball coach, replied proudly. Coach Souhrada had plenty to beam about with First Team All State and Conference pitcher, **Brian Kennedy**, '85, and All Conference and Honorable Mention All State, **Doug Dorris**, '85, leading the Falcons to a 16-10 overall season. **Jeff Phillips**, '85, and **Mike Erwin**, '85, led the team with four homeruns apiece during the season.

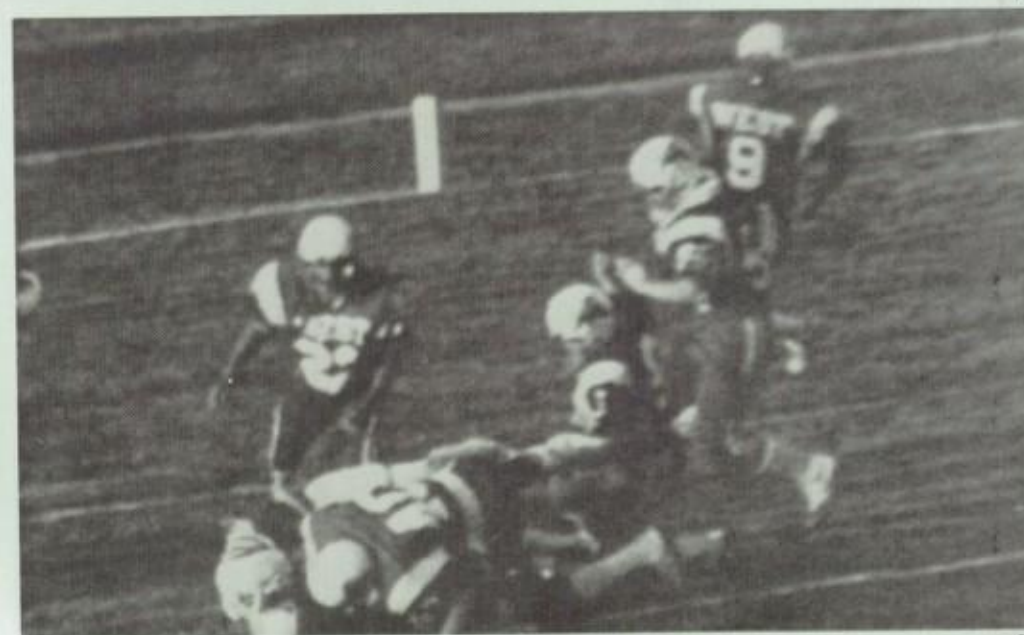
A key factor to the Falcons success was an excellent pitching staff headed by **Brian Kennedy**, '85. **Brian** had a 12-0 season with 143 strikeouts in 84 innings. "Our team improved from beginning to end thanks to Brian's pitching and an excellent offense," exclaimed **Doug Coiner**, '86.

Along with every other sport, there were the rivalry games against the Blue Devils. The Falcons ousted the Blue Devils twice on the ten run rule with scores of 13-2 and 13-3. "It was a total slaughter," exclaimed **Brad McDermott**, '86.

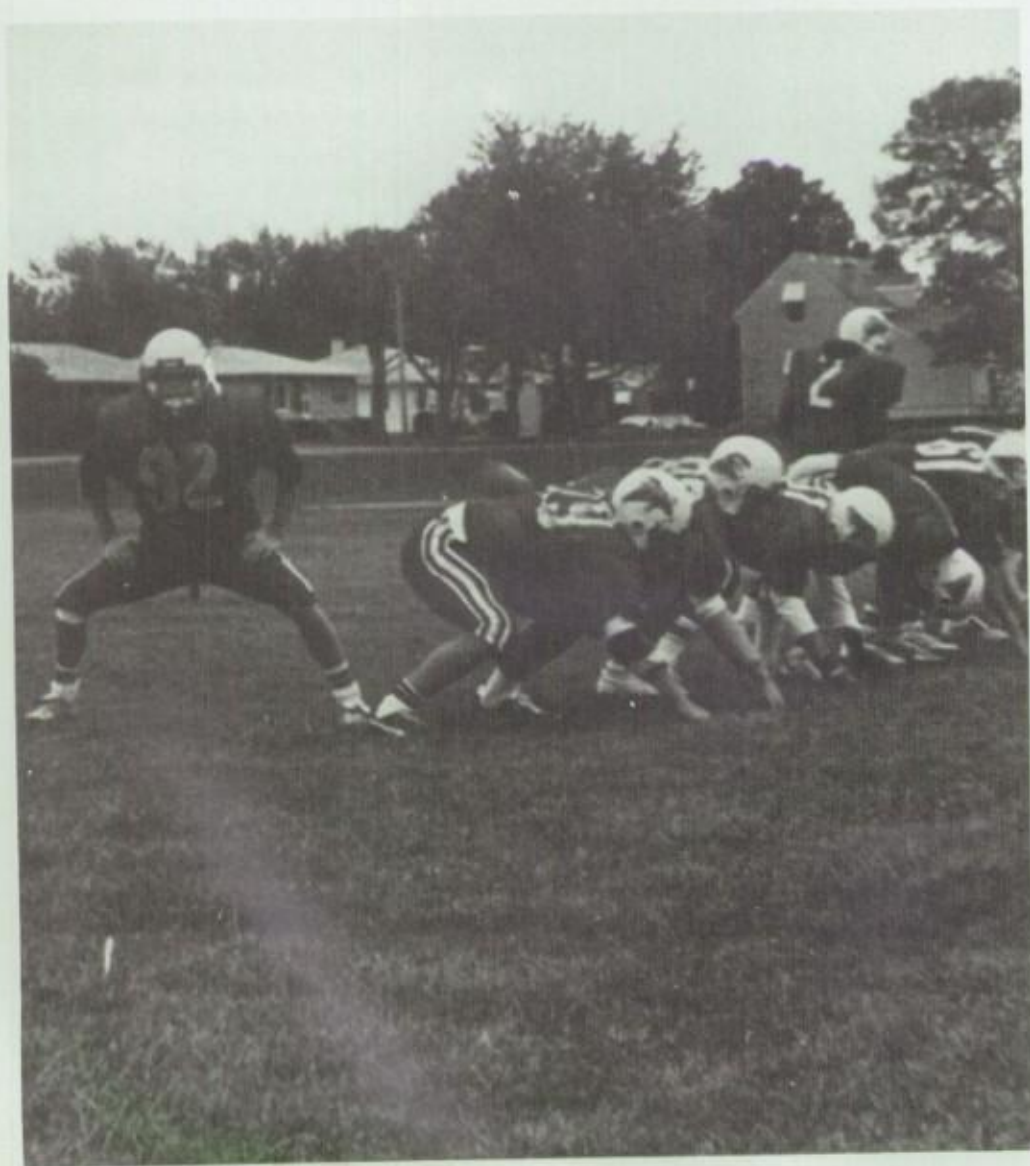
With the title of Mississippi Eight Conference Champs behind them, the Falcons set their sights toward State Champions. Their dream was shattered during the first district tournament as the Falcons were defeated 10-6. **Coiner** summed up the loss as "a disappointing loss, but we will just have to keep that dream in mind and work harder next year so that we can fulfill our dream and make it a reality." (written by D. Zastrow)



Falcon players sack helpless Knight during Assumption game. (photo by D. Zastrow)



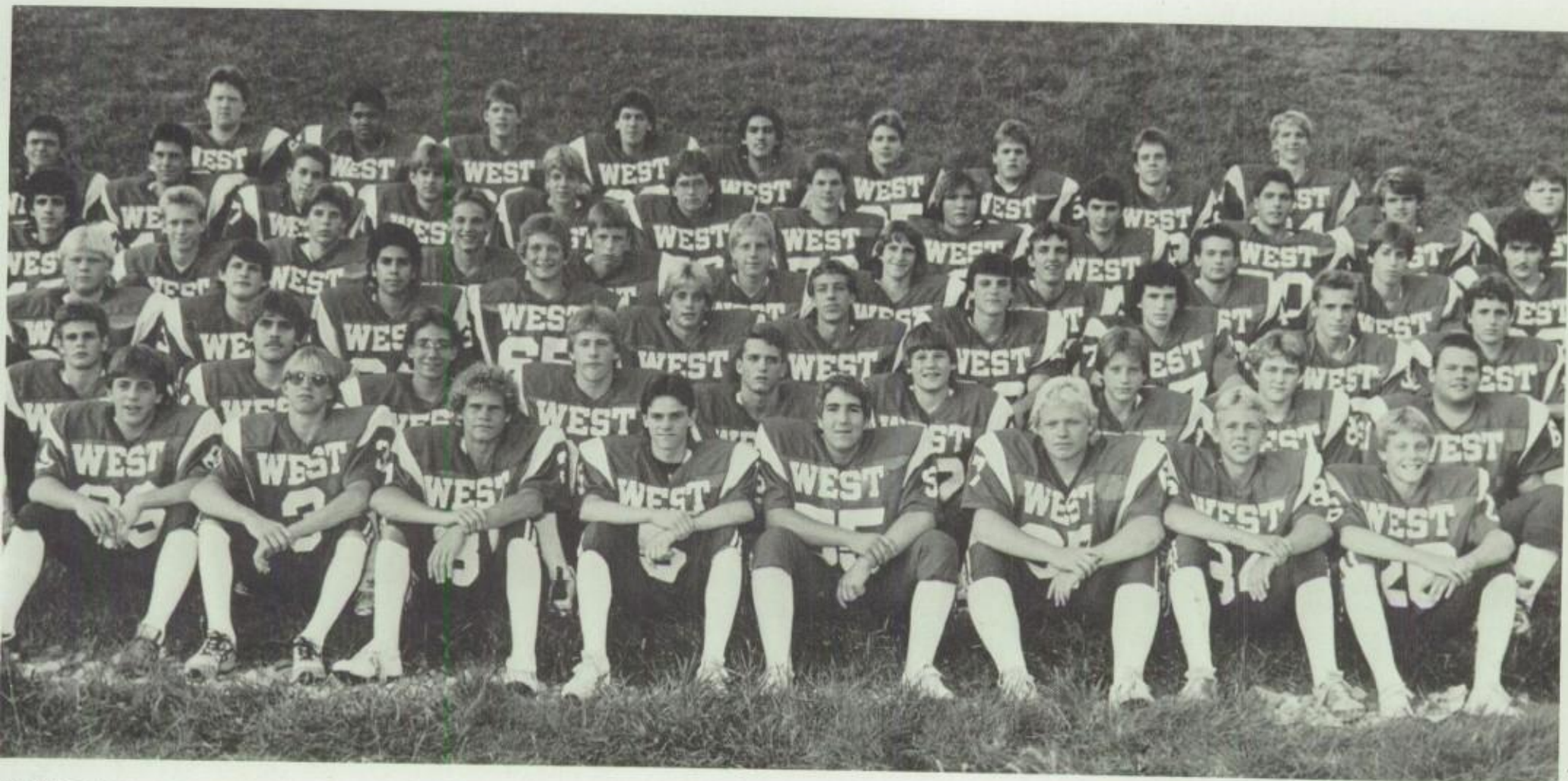
(1) Two Falcons on the attack of a lone Knight. (photo by D. Zastrow)
(2) Falcons rummage for fumbled pass. (photo by D. Zastrow)



Sophomore defense ready for action during practice. (photo by D. Zastrow)

1986 SOPHOMORE SCOREBOARD		
We	Opponent	They
7	ROCK ISLAND	13
13	BETTENDORF	47
30	NORTH	6
13	NORTH SCOTT	12
13	ASSUMPTION	30
12	CENTRAL	21
18	CLINTON	34
14	BURLINGTON	21
20	MUSCATINE	16

Sophomores Gain Experience



FRONT ROW: Mark Ray, Mike Heinisch, Troy Lane, Mark Getty, Chad McWilliams, drop, drop, Marty Meyer; SECOND ROW: drop, drop, Chris Fortney, Brian Atkins, Steve Howland, Marty Follis, Mike Herbert, Scott Hainline; THIRD ROW: Daron Storjohann, Shawn Pridemore, Carlos Gutierrez, Pat Kelley, Mike Ridenour, Scott Peterson, Kevin Rommel, drop, Kent Cessler, drop; FOURTH ROW: drop, Chris Kerr, drop, Jeff Ryan, Curt Lobdell, Clay Harksen, Neal Hermiston, Marty Ellison, Jon Ebner, Joe Clay, Dale Hughes; FIFTH ROW: Cary Brown, drop, Jay Wooren, Scott Uhrich, Brent Linnenkamp, Dan Nosa, Gary Yone, Allen Honeycutt, Doug Sheeder, drop, drop, drop; SIXTH ROW: Brad Koenig, Gene Dally, Darron Moroney, Bob Riendou, drop, drop, Duane Allers, Dave Ward, Bret Sparbel; NOT PICTURED: Aaron Arnold, Mike Bergert, Mitch Olsen, Chris Graham, Mike Baker, Matt Thompson, Pat Wilcox, Roy Morley, and Mike Moeller. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Steve Howland practices his punts. (photo by D. Zastrow)

"It was a fun season," exclaimed Coach David Broadie as the sophomore football team ended the season with a 3-6 record. A big difference this year was a new coaching staff headed by Broadie and Coach Tom Souhrada. "I think we did a good job and had fun, although we had a new coaching staff," replied Jeff Ryan, '88.

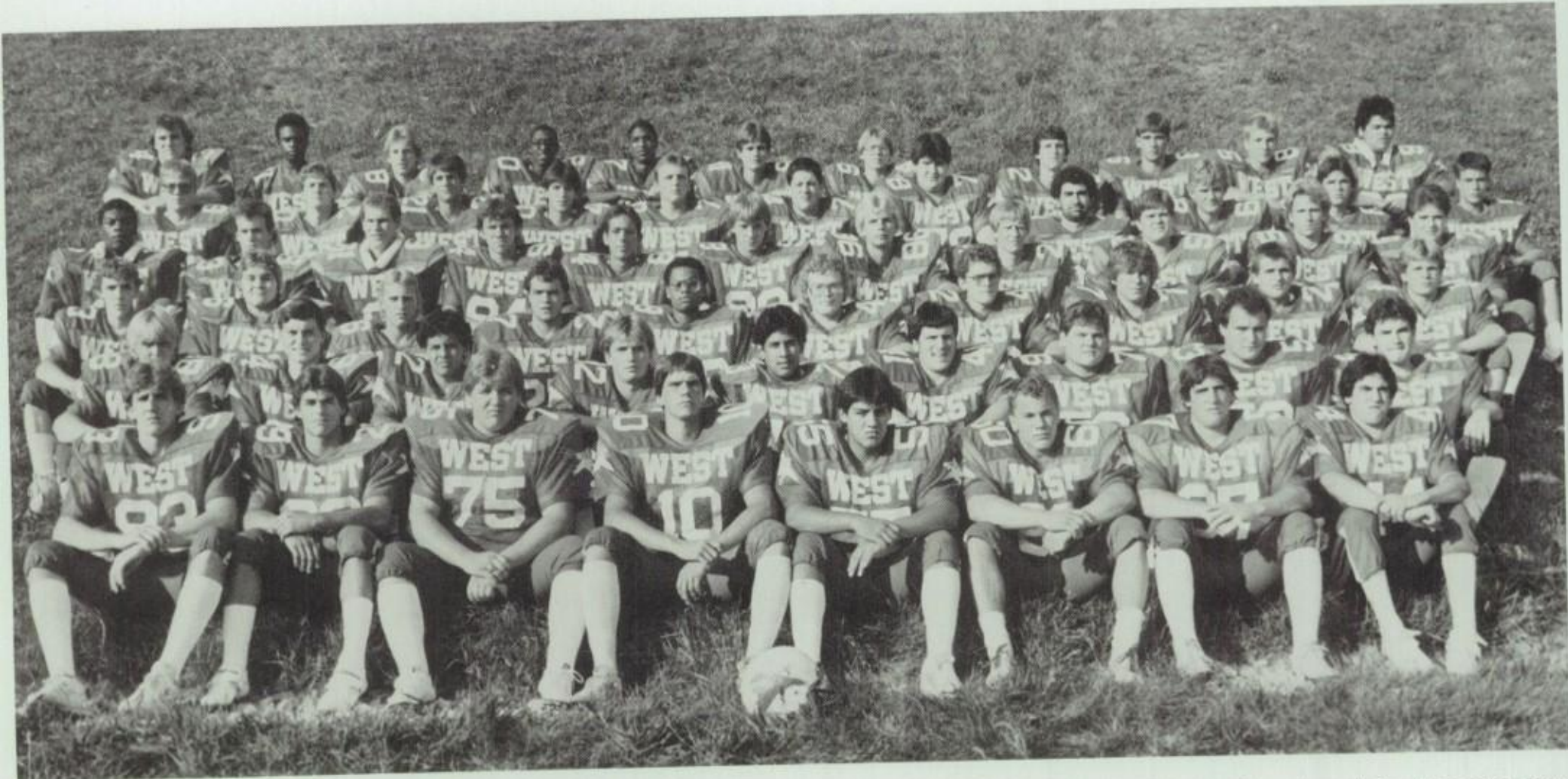
The most memorable game of the season in the minds of the Falcons was the new rivalry game against the North Wildcats. The Falcons destroyed the Wildcats by 20 to 6. "Although a lot of our friends were on the North team, we psyched ourselves up to play our best and win," expressed Bret

Sparbel, '88 about the North game.

"The most memorable game I remember was our loss to the Bettendorf Bulldogs. We had no idea how good they were," replied Coach Broadie recalling the 47 to 13 loss to the Bulldogs.

Coach Broadie and the rest of the sophomore coaching staff are looking forward to next season. "After working together this season, the staff will be able to work together even better, and change our 3-6 season to a 6-3 season," Coach Broadie replied. (written by D. Zastrow)

West Goes Wild



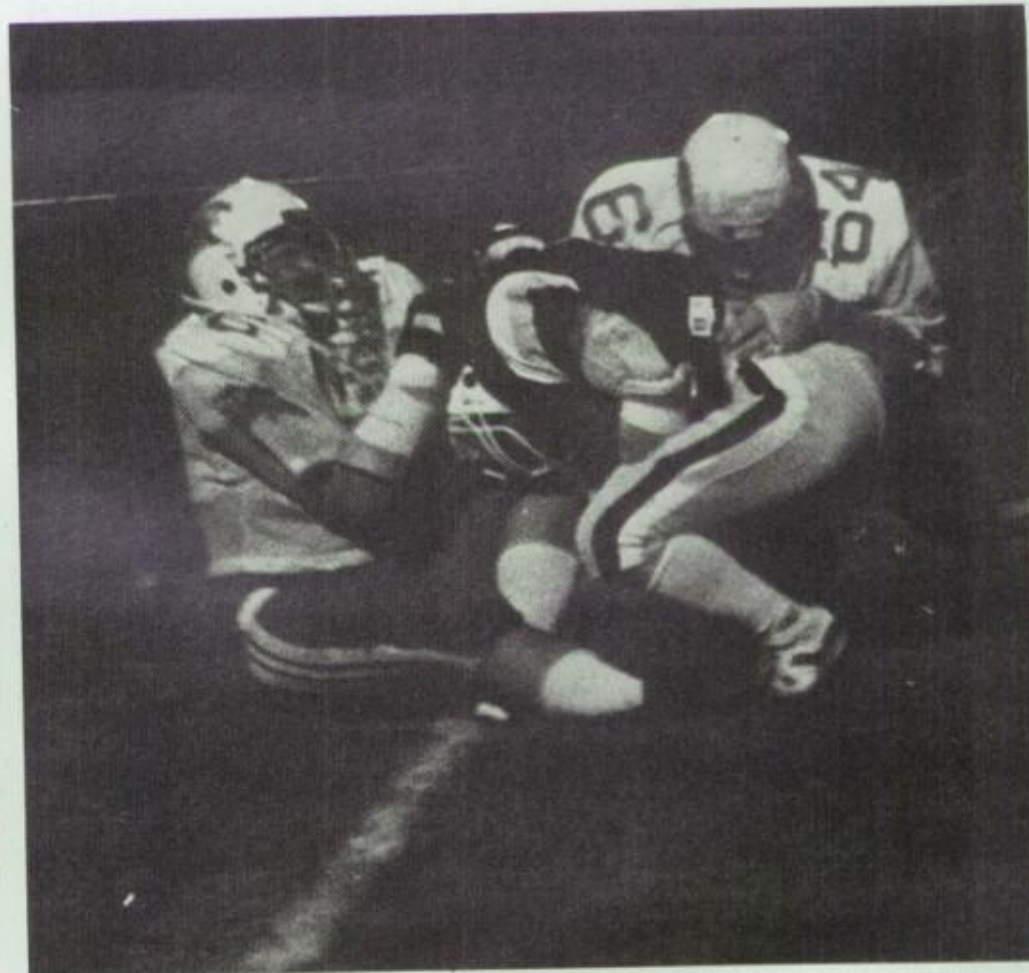
FIRST ROW: Jeff Carson, Gary Buckles, Scott Bartling, Troy Mullenburg, Chico Shuttles, Jeff Masterson, Ralph Hughes, drop; SECOND ROW: drop, Dave Janecek, Tom Hernandez, Dave Downing, Julian Gutierrez, drop, Brady Fitzgerald, drop, Jon Keeney; THIRD ROW: drop, drop, drop, Tom Blumer, drop, drop, Eric Miller, Jim Groth, drop, Phil Iverson; FOURTH ROW: Marlon Griffin, drop, Jeff Pestka, Doug Strohbehn, Mark Peterson, Shawn Agan, Aron Pogue, Cory Hund, Gary Gant, J.T. Troxell, Keith Latham; FIFTH ROW: Roger Meyer, Rod Moeller, Dennis Colner, Rob McWilliams, drop, Bob Linz, Jesus Herrera, Rob Sheeder, drop, Mike Postel; SIXTH ROW: Phil Gillespie, drop, Dan Ahrens, Will Lacy, Bill Lacy, drop, Jim Mackey, drop, T.J. Rubley, Ryan Cooley; NOT PICTURED: Mike Davis, Rod Adams, Scott Galaniv, Shawn Serrano, Chuck Latham. (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)

"A very coachable team and a great group of guys all around," exclaimed Coach Roger Harrington when asked about the 1985-86 varsity football team. The Falcons ended the season with a 4-5 record, and according to **Brady Fitzgerald**, '86, "Our team did a good job and tried their best during the games." The most surprising game of the season was a disappointing loss to the Clinton River Kings. Going into the game knowing that they were playing the leading conference team, the Falcons were ready for battle, but for a while, it looked as if they would emerge victoriously without a fight as they led the River Kings 21-0 up to the third quarter. During the third quarter, the River Kings took to battle and defeated the

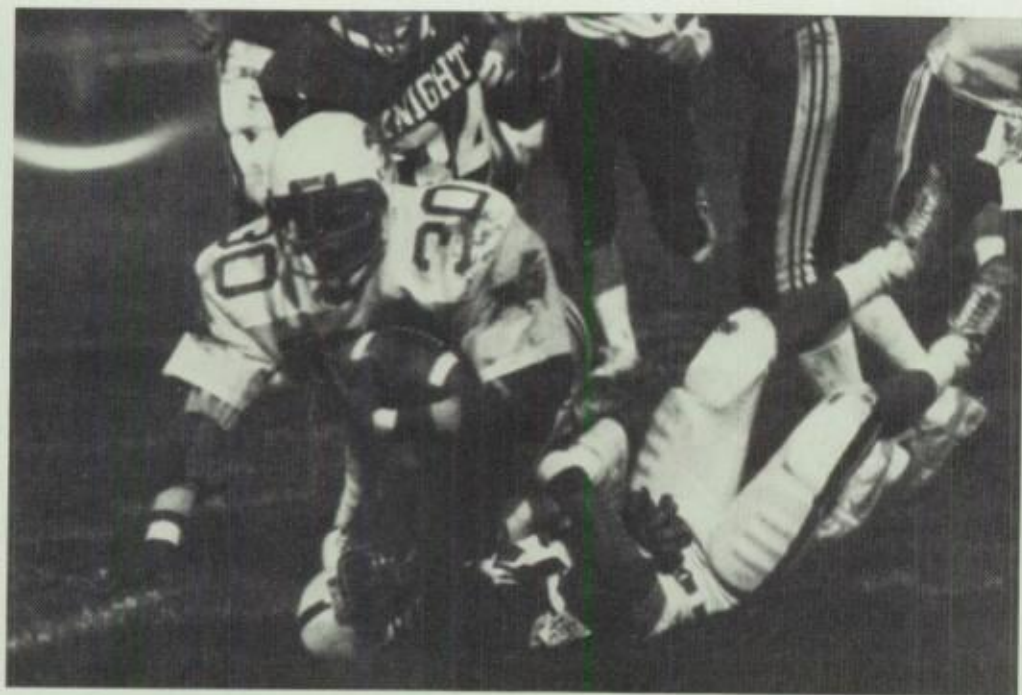
Falcons 22-21. "It was a disappointing loss since we were so much ahead and then losing by one," replied **Jesus Herrera**, '87.

Another excellently played game was against the Assumption Knights. The Falcons succeeded in defeating the Knights 14-6. "We finally got fired up instead of coming out with our tails between our legs," commented **Scott Bartling**, '86. "The team played to their capability that night," added Coach Harrington.

Coach Harrington is enthusiastic about next season. "With fourteen returning players and many sophomores moving up to varsity, we should have a really good and hard working team!" replied Harrington. (Written by D. Zastrow)

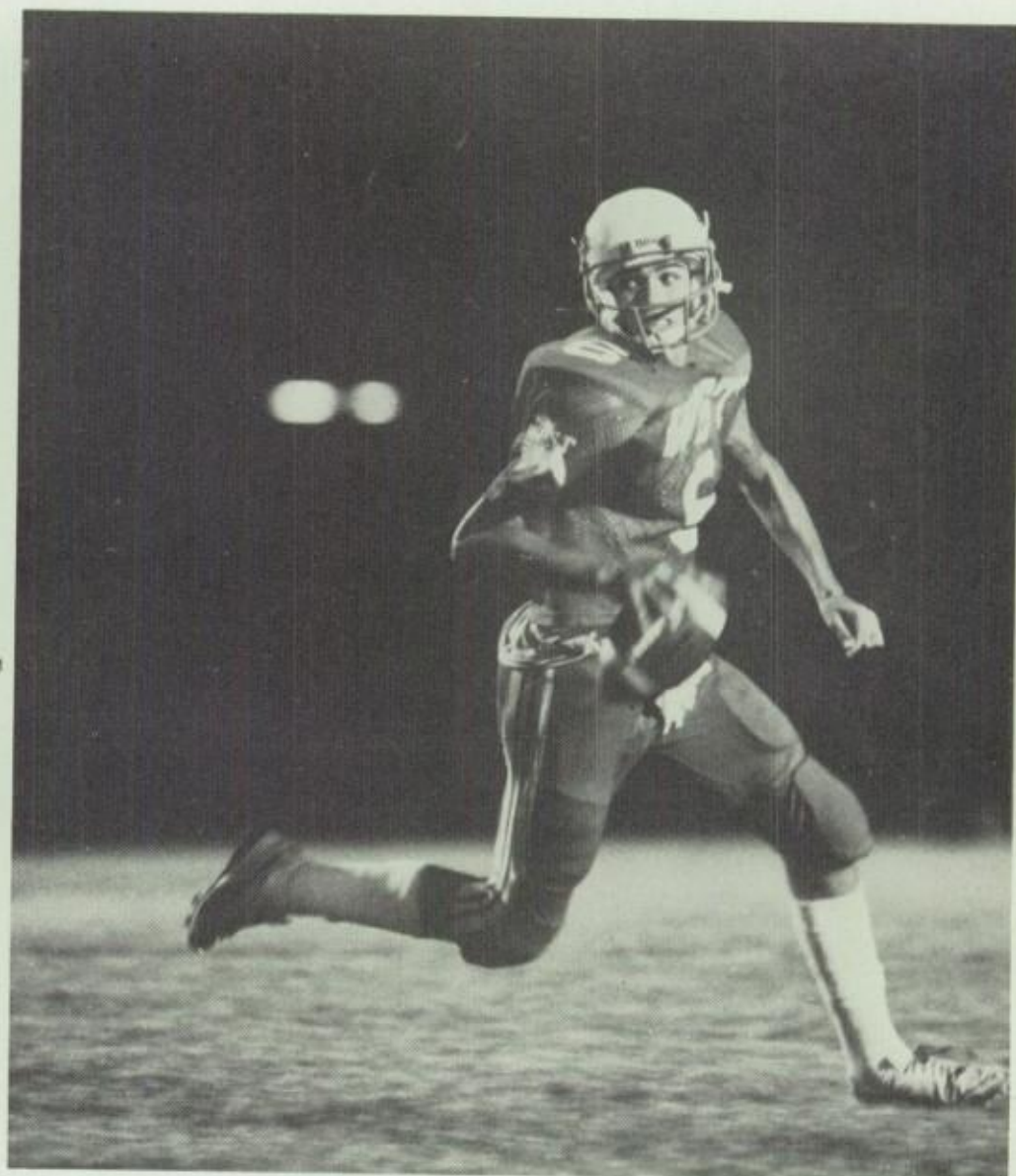


Two Falcons sack a North victim and stop him dead in his tracks. (photo by M. Moscinski)

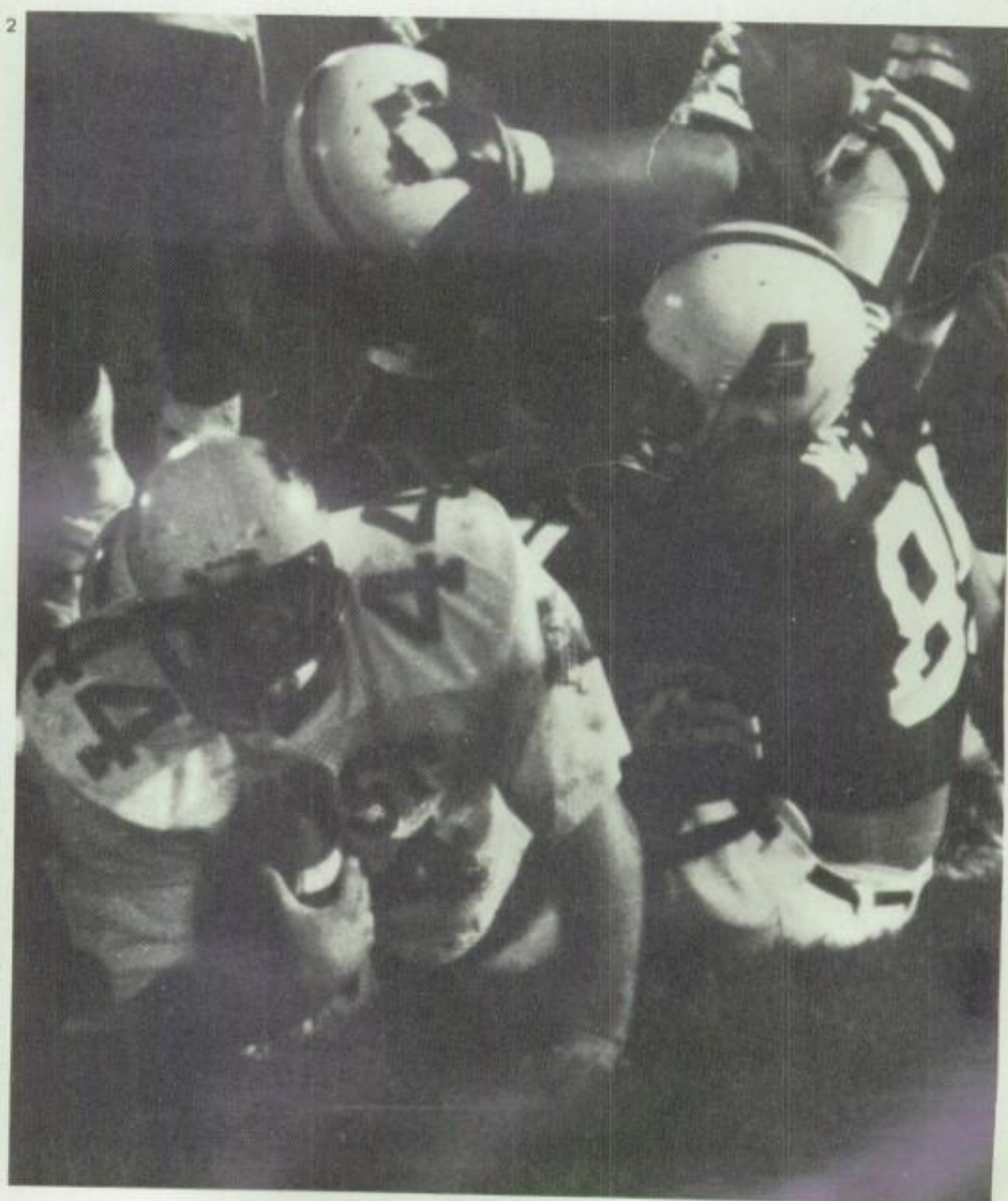


(1) Marlon Griffin escapes through Knights defense. (photo by M. Smothers)

(2) Falcon defense impounds a Greyhound. (photo by K. Marcek)

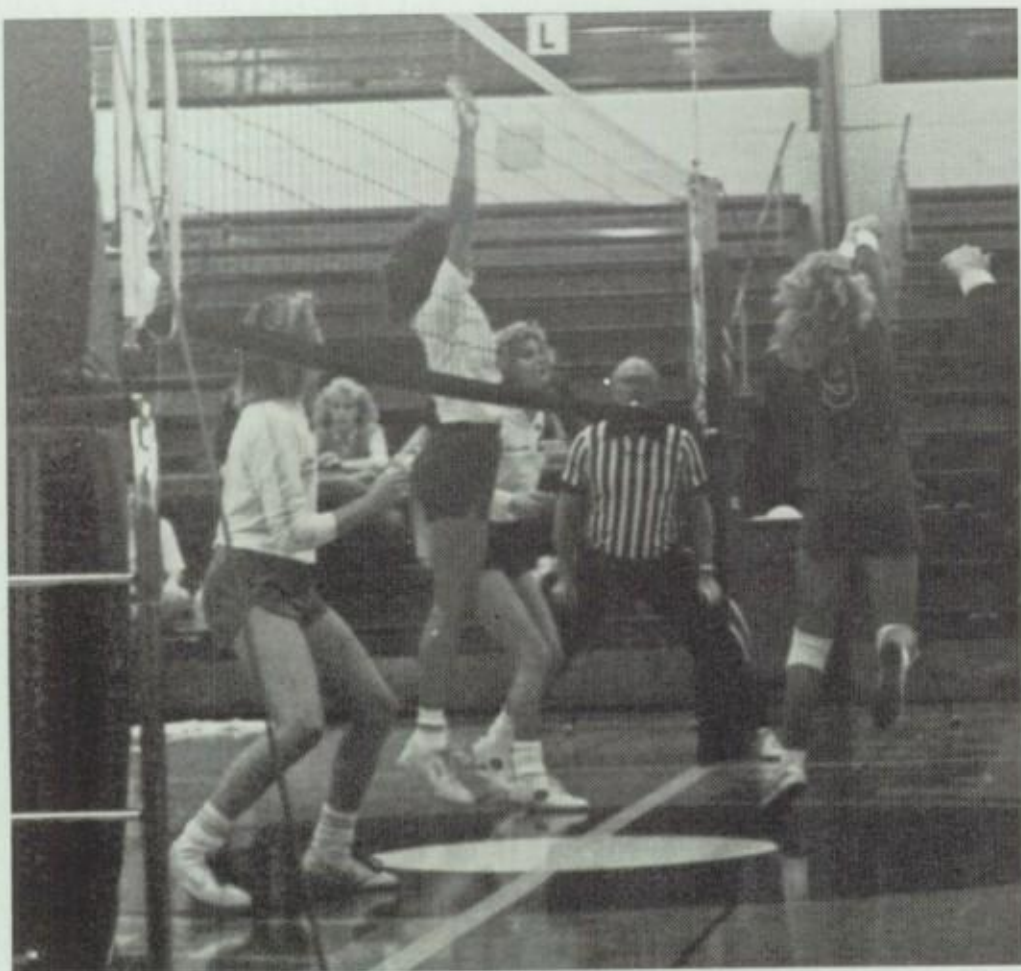


T. J. Rubley carefully checks for an open receiver. (courtesy of the Quad City Times)



Phil Gillespie recovers with the ball after an Assumption attack. (photo by M. Smothers)

1986 VARSITY SCOREBOARD		
WE	OPPONENT	THEY
7	Rock Island	14
9	Bettendorf	34
38	North	0
13	North Scott	14
14	Assumption	6
7	Central	24
21	Clinton	22
21	Burlington	8
19	Muscatine	3



Kristin Main is determined to volley the ball over the net for another point. (photo by M. Moscinski)

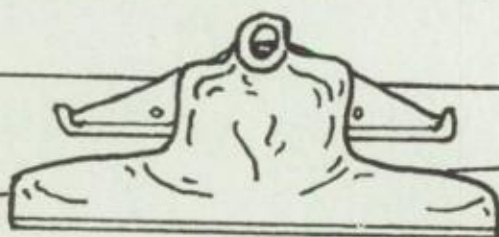


Veronica Trevino executes a volley forward as teammates watch in anticipation. (photo by M. Moscinski)



FRONT ROW: Becky Harper, Kristin Main, Jennifer Schrader, Suzy Hulsing, Connie Hammes, and Jill Hudson. MIDDLE ROW: Leanne Leverenz, Pam Hobart, Jill Burson, Karen Dunca, Denise Cunningham, Veronica Trevino, Tracy Dietz and Laura Beckman. BACK ROW: Coach Wolf, April Hudson and Coach Michelle Riordon. (photo by M. Moscinski)

Togetherness Keeps Sophs Alive

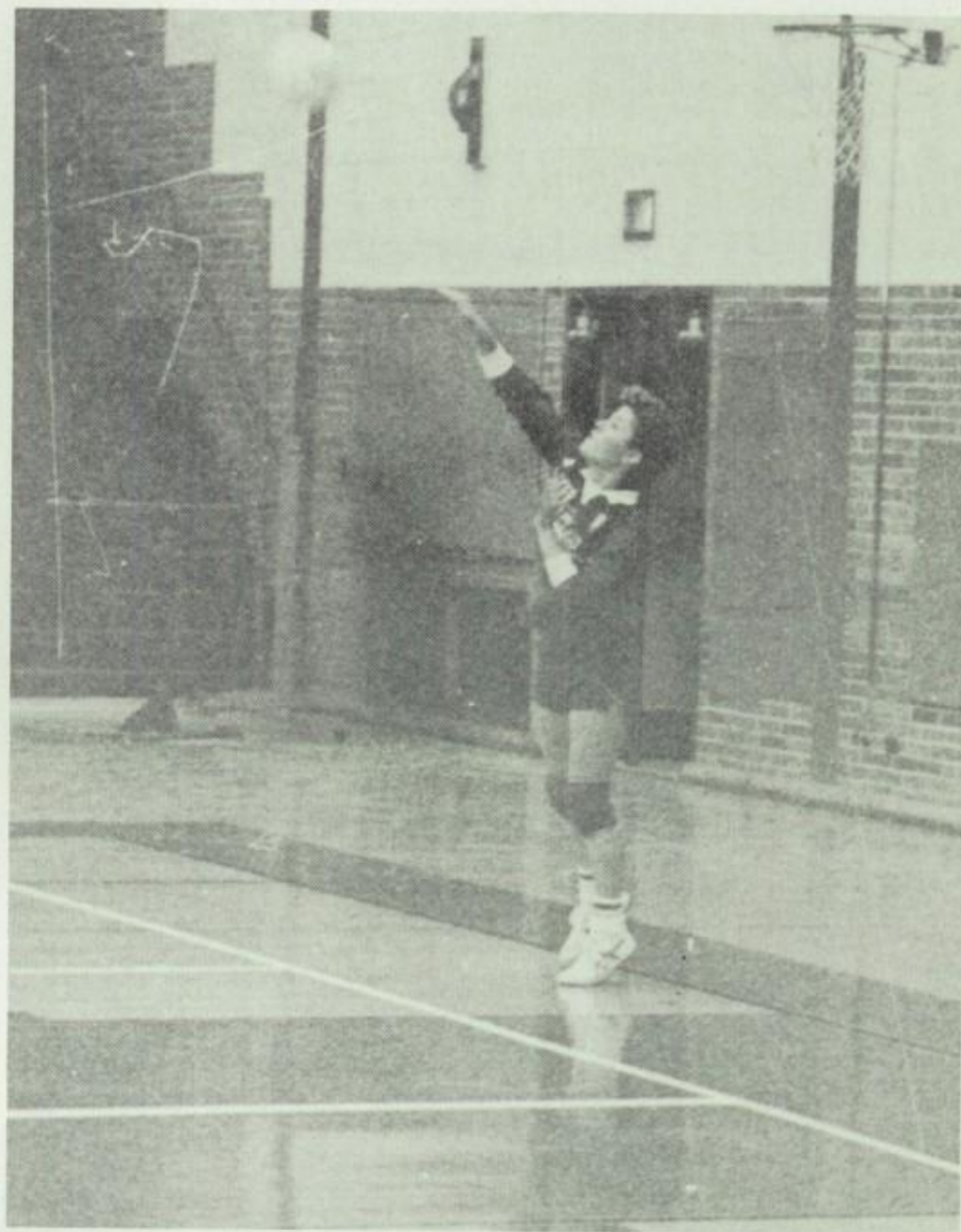


SOPHOMORE VOLLEYBALL SCOREBOARD '86

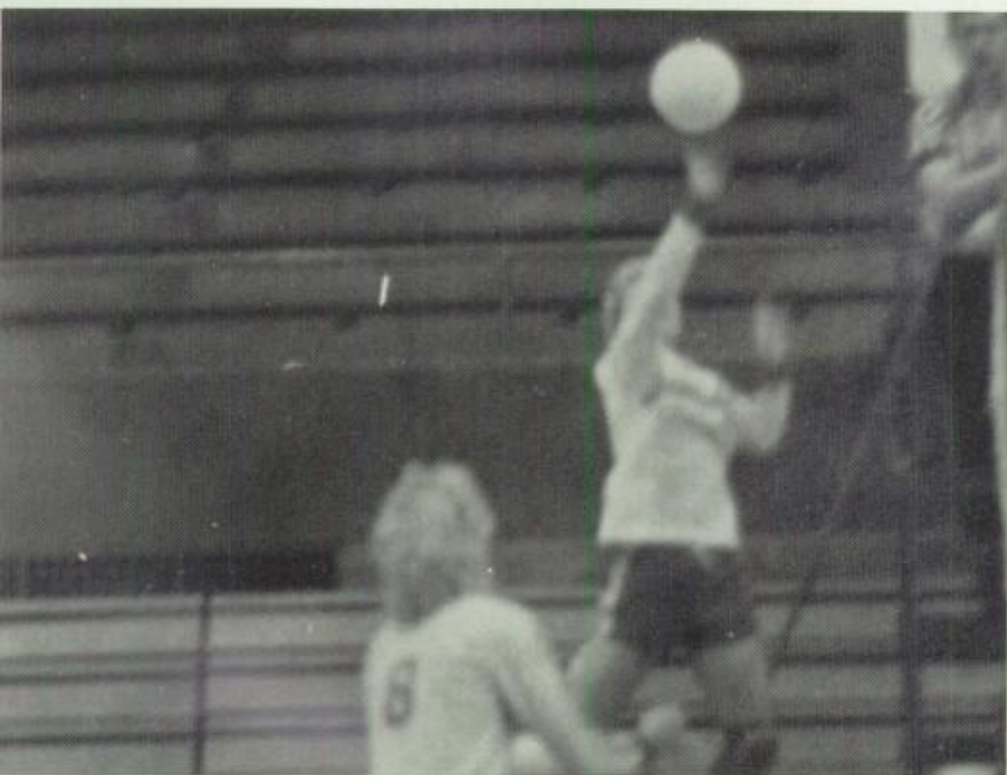


<u>We</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>They</u>
1	Pleasant Valley	2
1	Central DeWitt	2
2	Burlington	0
0	North Scott	2
0	Western Dubuque	2
2	Davenport North	1
2	Clinton Mater Dei	1
2	Davenport Central	1
2	Muscatine	0
0	Dubuque Wahlert	2
1	Camanche	2
2	Davenport Central	1
2	Bettendorf	1
0	Moline	2
1	Clinton	2
1	Davenport North	1
0	North Scott	2
0	Pleasant Valley	2

RECORD 7-10-1



Becky Harper successfully executes her serve during a home game. (photo by M. Moscinski)



With a Falcon jump, a player volleys the ball over. (photo by M. Moscinski)

Togetherness led the sophomore volleyball team to a 7-10-1 record. "It was remarkable how the girls stuck together, even when things got a little sticky," exclaimed Coach Scott Wolf.

The girls began the season slowly as they lost the first four of five matches. The girls began their turnaround as they were face to face with new city rival, the North Wildcats. "We knew we needed to win to get out of the gutter and we did because we played fiercely and as a team," commented Pam Hobart, '88. The girls went on to scrape by the Wildcats two games to one. "I sure was proud to watch them defeat the Wildcats by playing as a team," added Coach Wolf.

Another victorious win was against the Central Blue Devils. "It was a close match but we pulled

through to win two games to one." replied Veronica Trevino, '88.

"Overall I believe the season was a success," Coach Wolf said, "and I am looking forward to having the girls back next season as varsity players." Denise Cunningham, '88 summed up the season: "It was great having Mr. Wolf as our coach and everyone enjoyed themselves and pulled together as a team when the going got rough. If we stick together next season like we did this season, we just might make conference champs, or maybe even state." (written by D. Zastrow)

Coach Wolf Leads Varsity Volleyball Against Tough Competition



Amy Rose and Deanna Samuelson secretly discuss their next strategic move during the Central game. (photo by N. Smith)

The girls' volleyball team had its share of disappointments as they ended the season with a 2-15 record. "It was a real learning experience for both players and myself," replied Scott Wolf, head coach of the girls' varsity team. "I am sure it was hard for the girls to adjust to a new coach, but the girls handled it very well," added Coach Wolf.

"Mr. Wolf was great to get along with," exclaimed Brenda Jordahl, '86.

The most challenging match of the season was against Dubuque Hempstead. "Dubuque usually has a very strong team and although we lost two out of three sets, we gave them a run for their money," explained Coach Wolf.

One match that put a smile on Coach Wolf's face was the defeat

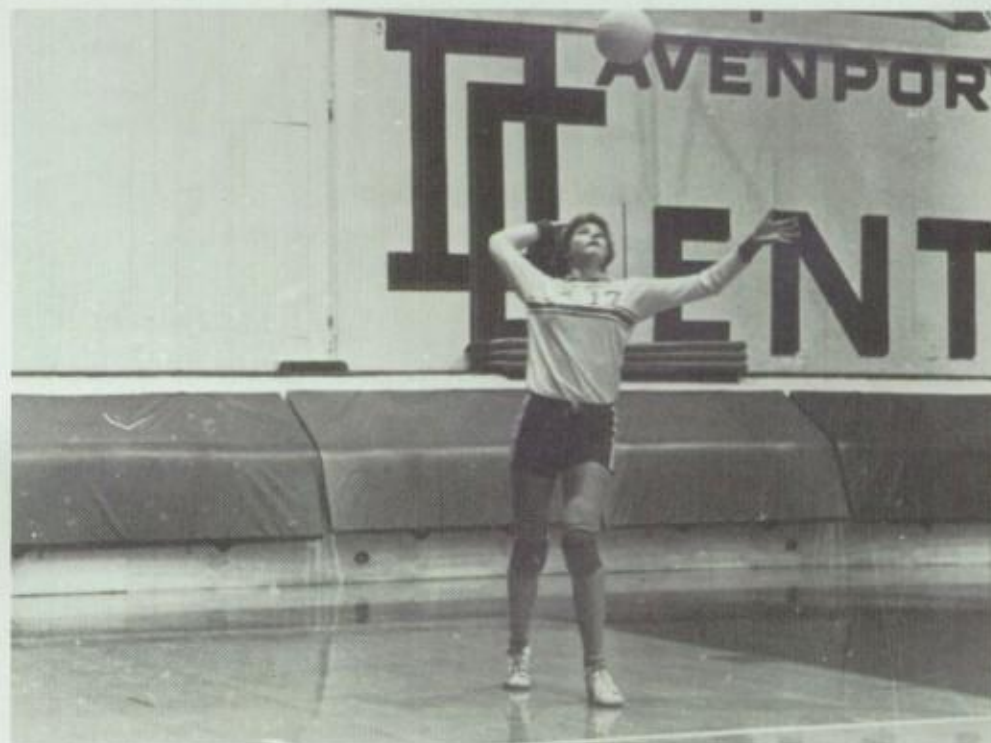
of the Clinton River Kings, three sets to one. "We totally wailed on them," replied Dawn Lange, '86.

When summing up the season, Coach Wolf replied, "The ladies made the best of some uncomfortable situations, and I couldn't have had a nicer bunch for my first year of coaching. I am pleased that many of the girls will be back next season and we should be a very strong team." "This season wasn't one of the best, but next season we will win conference and maybe state!" exclaimed Kristal Koberg '87, enthusiastically. (written by D. Zastrow)

We	Opponent	They
2	Dubuque Hempstead	3
0	Dubuque Senior	3
1	Pleasant Valley	3
1	Central DeWitt	3
2	Burlington	3
0	Moline	2
0	Sterling	2
0	Western Dubuque	2
0	North Scott	3
0	Western Dubuque	3
0	Davenport North	3
3	Clinton Mater Dei	1
1	Davenport Central	3
3	Muscatine	1
1	Bettendorf	3
1	Moline	3
0	Clinton	3

RECORD 2-15

Dawn Lange



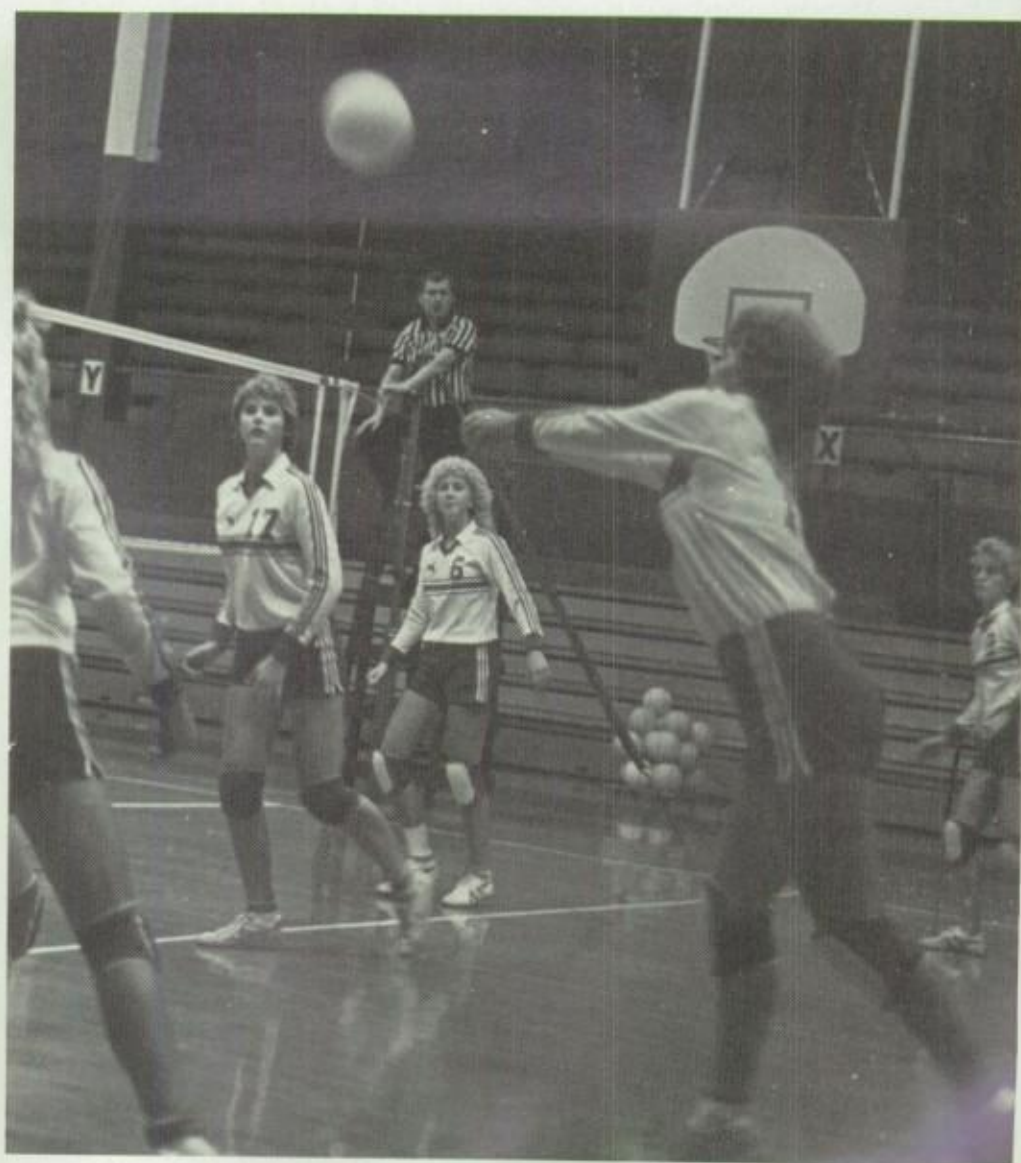
Deanna Samuelson uses all of her strength to volley the next serve. (photo by N. Smith)



FRONT ROW: Michelle Atherton, Amy Rose, Brenda Jordahl, Deanna Samuelson, Amy McKoben, Ann Willis, and Raquel Terhune; BACK ROW: Coach Michelle Ryder, Manager Susan Campbell, Kim Wallick, Kristal Koberg, Laura Tietjen, Lori Calhoun, Strina Sunstedt, Rhonda Ellison, and Dawn Lange. Coach Scott Wolf. Not Pictured: Pam Eis (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Michelle Atherton prepares to execute a perfect serve. (photo by N. Smith)

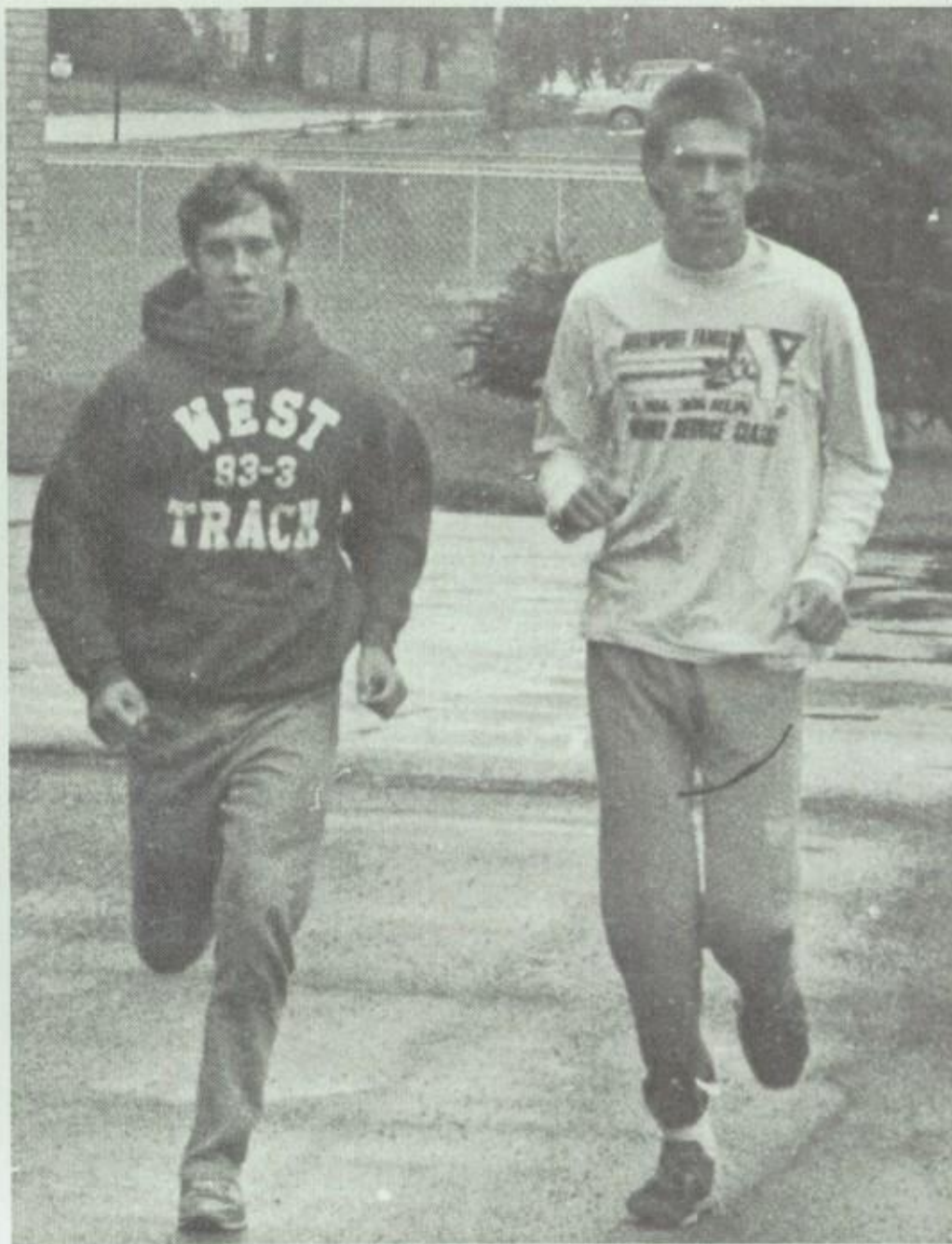


Brenda Jordahl strides easily to volley the ball forward while teammates look on. (photo by N. Smith)

Boys' Cross Country Coasts Through Season



The boys' cross country psyche themselves up with a spirited pep talk from Doug Bargfield before an important meet. (photo by M. Moscinski)



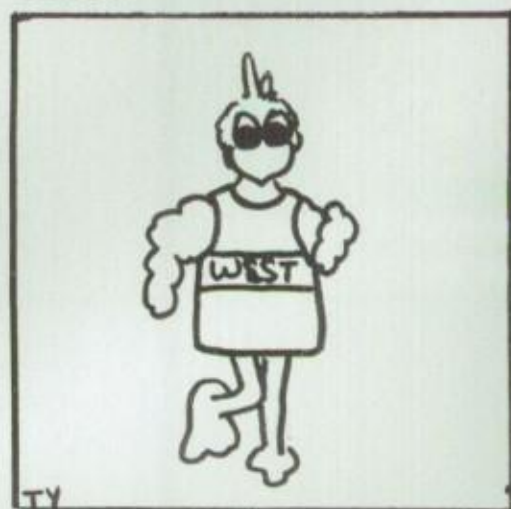
Doug Bargfield and Tim Reeves keep up a constant running pace as they shape themselves up before the next meet. (photo by M. Moscinski)

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY SCOREBOARD '86		
<u>We</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>They</u>
27	United Township	32
15	North	48
19	Assumption	36
15	North	53
23	Central	24
20	Assumption	36
15	North	47
38	Muscatine	19
17	North	forfeit
29	Central	30
17	Clinton	38
RECORD 10-1		
LOWEST SCORE WINS		

"The boys did an excellent job this season," exclaimed Mr. Don Lange, Boys' Cross Country coach. The boys' cross country team ended the season with a 10-1 record. "I think the team did terrific this season, although we didn't qualify anyone for state," replied John Parker, '86. One of the most challenging meets of the season was against city rival Central. "The Blue Devils were a really tough team, but the Falcons pulled together and strode ahead," boasted Tim Reeves, '87. The Falcons managed to pass the Blue Devils with scores of 23-24 and 29-30.

Another exciting meet was against Muscatine. "The Muskies had a strong team, and although we lost, I think the boys had a pretty good run," stated Coach Lange.

Out of sixteen runners this season only five will not be returning. "Bargfield, Parker, Jennings, Heilman, and Schiekelman will be missed next season, but I am happy that the majority of the team will be back," expressed Coach Lange. "Next season should be great with most of the guys back, and I think we have a great chance at clutching conference champs and possibly state," said John Dillard, '87. (written by D. Zastrow)





FRONT ROW: Diasuke Ito, Andy Lomax, Chris Heilman, John Parker, and Doug Bargfield. BACK ROW: Mr. Lange, Dave Hoeper, Paul Schliekelmann, Tim Reeves, Tim Knutson, Bernie Grothus, and Jimmy Post. NOT PICTURED: John Dillard, Brian Jennings, Ricardo Mendez, Saroeun Nop, and Mel Sims.



Coach Lange tries to explain some of the finer points to one of his dazed runners before the important meet against city rival, Central. (staff photo)

Girls' Cross Country Strides with Style

"The girls were fun to work with and they put their feet forward and did the best they could," replied Coach Jennifer Berker about the girls' cross country team. The girls ended their season with a 7-4 record. "I thought we did a terrific job!" exclaimed Jill Lange, '88.

A new competition was added to the minds of the girls as the new city rival meet against North approached. "It was a close score, but we were psyched up, and we pulled ahead and won at the end," explained Molly Bargfield, '88. The Falcons sprinted by the Wildcats 27-28. Davenport Assumption was also an exciting meet for the Falcons as they stopped the Knights dead in their tracks with scores of 20-35 and 25-31.

"I think the girls ran an excellent season and I hope next season will be even better," replied Coach Berker. To sum up the season, Carol Moritz, '87, exclaimed, "Although we didn't win conference, it was a fun and crazy season, and I would do it again." (written by D. Zastrow)

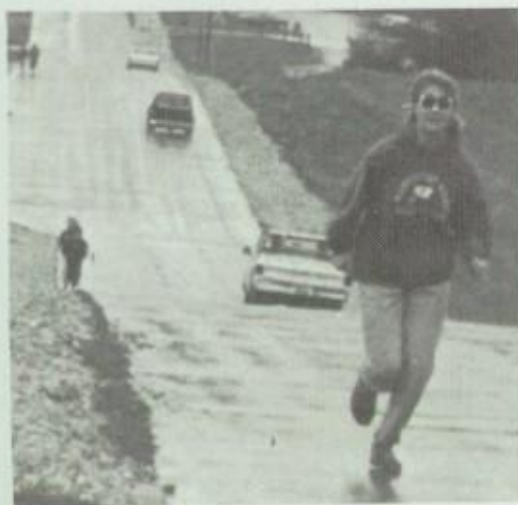


Kathy Downs and teammates practice for the upcoming meet. (photo by S. Harkins)

<u>We</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>They</u>
		16
30	Pleasant Valley	28
27	Davenport North	29
26	East Moline	35
20	Davenport Assumption	30
25	Davenport North	25
30	Davenport Central	31
25	Davenport Assumption	26
30	Muscatine	34
24	Davenport North	20
31	Davenport Central	41
15	Clinton	

RECORD 7-4
LOWEST SCORE WINS

James Williams



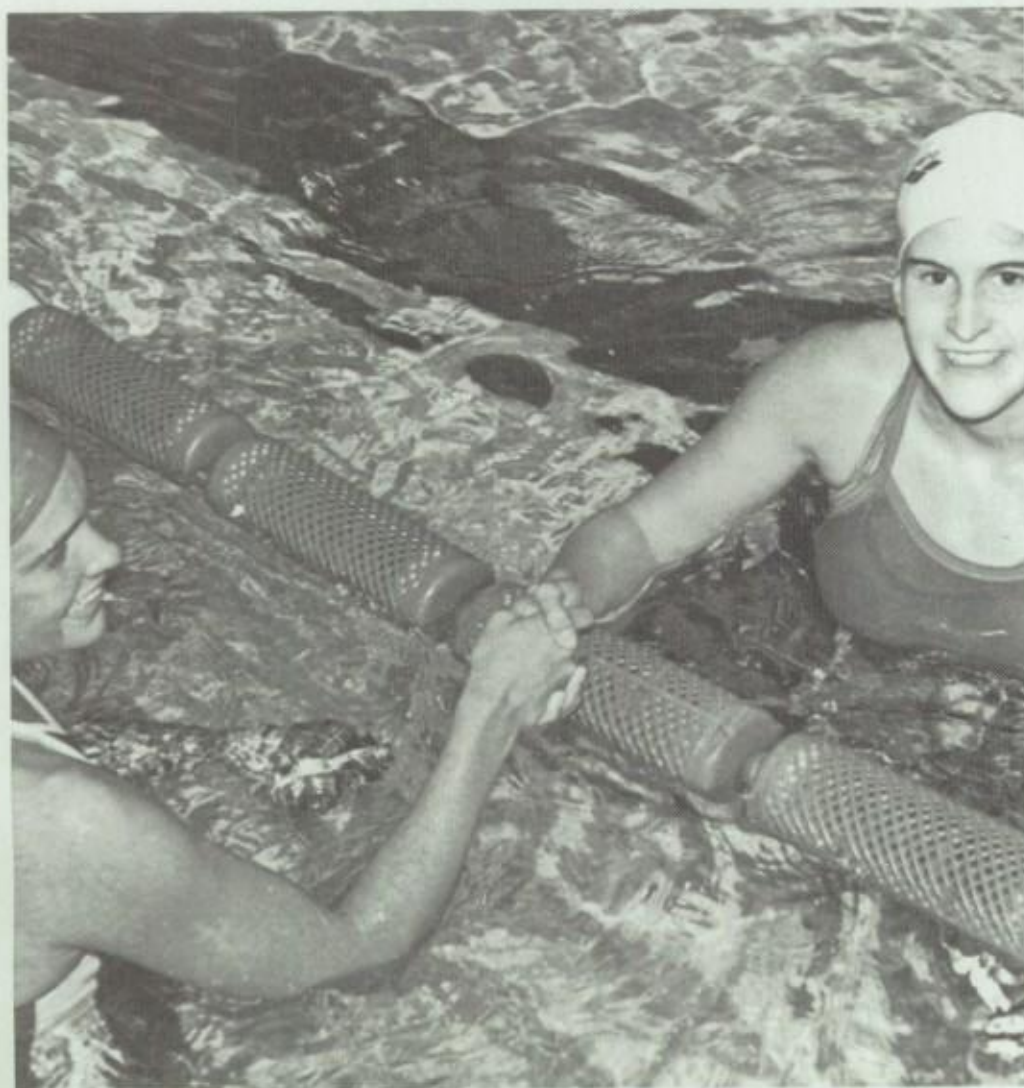
1. Carol Moritz on the run.
2. Runners exercise in style. (photo by S. Harkins)




Molly Bargfield and Jill Lange stride at a constant pace through Emels during practice for the next day's meet against North. (photo by S. Harkins)




FRONT ROW: Stacy Triber, Susan Schrader, Lori Frericks, Angie Hellman, and Molly Bargfield. BACK ROW: Kim Jeys, Julie Jones, Kathy Downs, Carol Moritz, Leah Soenke, Kim Roth, Jill Lange, and Coach Jennifer Betker. (photo by D. Zastrow)



Amy Navarre '86 shows Falcon sportmanship by a handshake with an opposing player during a meet. (photo by M. Moscinski)

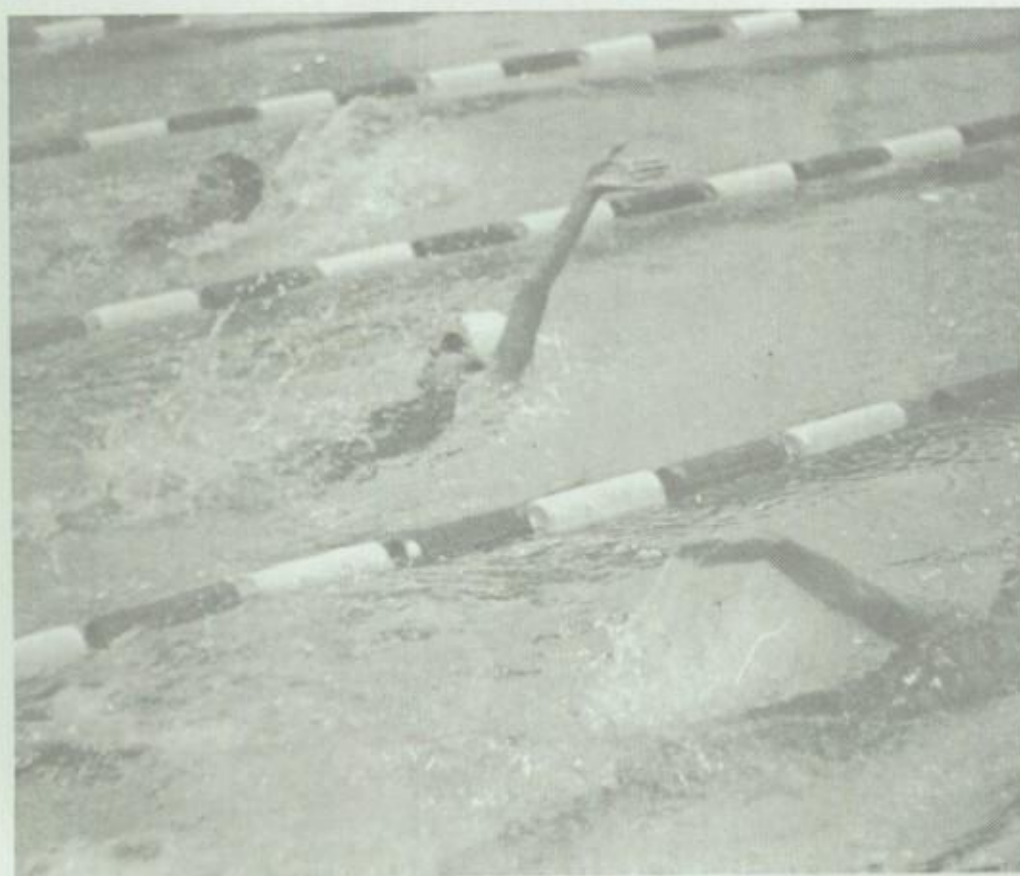




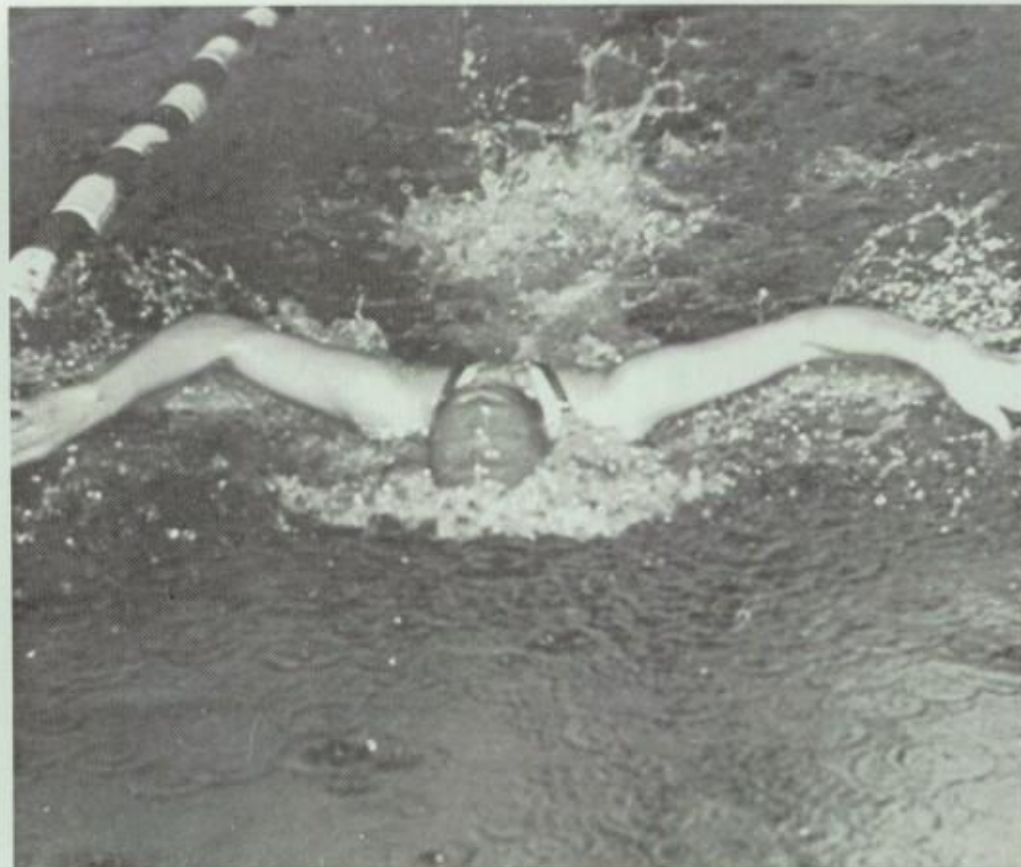
GIRLS' SWIMMING SCOREBOARD '86

<u>Us</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Them</u>
64	Burlington	107
97	North	62
53	Moline	118
16	Central	67
56	Muscatine	116
60	Dubuque Wahlert	112
59	United Township	113
61	Bettendorf	111
73	Clinton	99
63	Rock Island	105
<u>Quadrangular</u>		
West		385
Assumption		261
Tipton		227
North		164
Record 2-9		

Billings

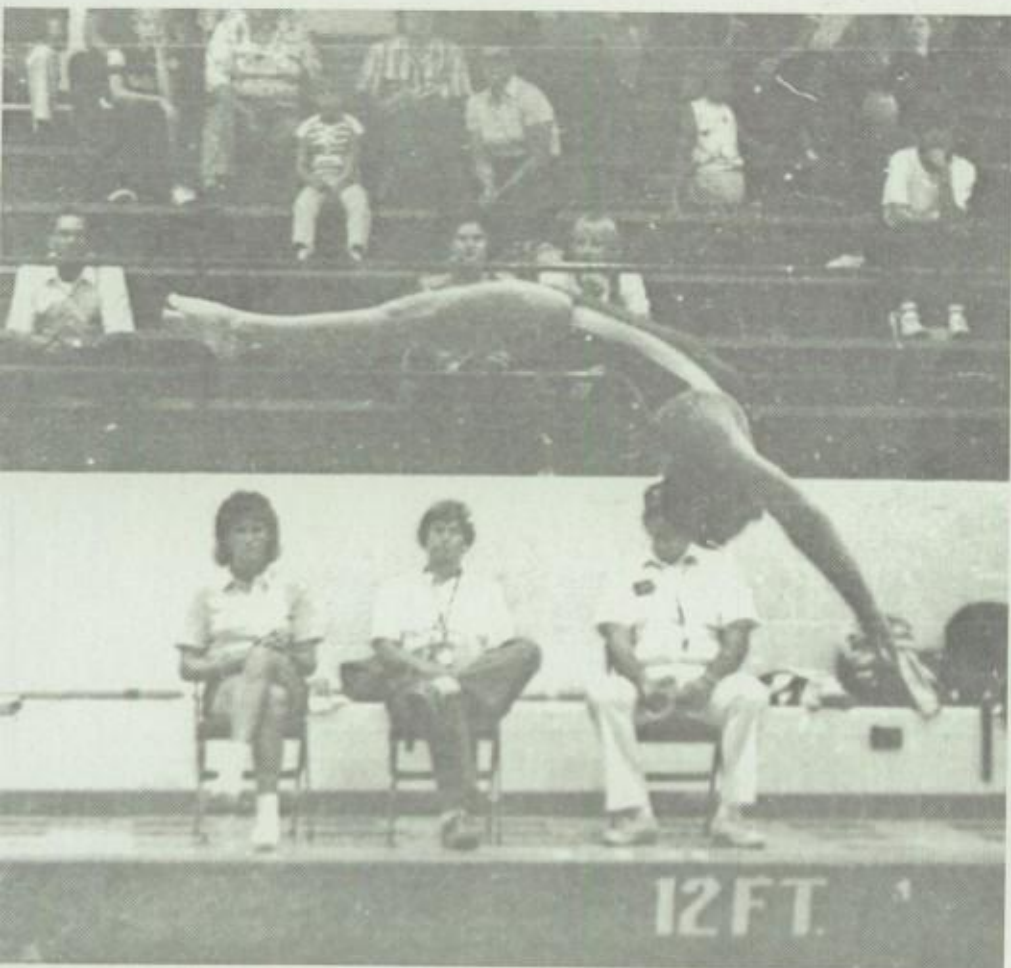


Falcon swimmer stretches backward to move ahead during a breaststroke relay. (photo by M. Moscinski)



Soaring into the water like a falcon, this Falcon swimmer slides toward a swim. (photo by M. Moscinski)

Girl Swimmers Splash Through Rough Waters



A Falcon diver spectacularly executes a difficult dive. (photo by M. Mascink)

"It was a tough season, but the girls had a lot of fun," exclaimed the girls' swimming Coach, Jane Ripslinger. The girls' swim team ended their season with a 2-9 record and placed 6th overall in the Mississippi Eight Conference and District meets.

"I was proud of the girls this season, especially during the Quadrangular Tournament," added Coach Ripslinger. The girls' swim team swam the tournament away from Assumption, Tipton, and North with an overall score of 385. "We were really excited about winning the tournament," expressed **Kathy Bohling**, '86 enthusiastically. Kathy had a lot to be excited about this season as she holds the new 100 breaststroke record with a time of 1:12.99. "I was really surprised and ecstatic when I saw my time and realized I broke the school record," exclaimed Kathy, smiling broadly. Kathy also quali-

fied for state and placed 7th at the meet.

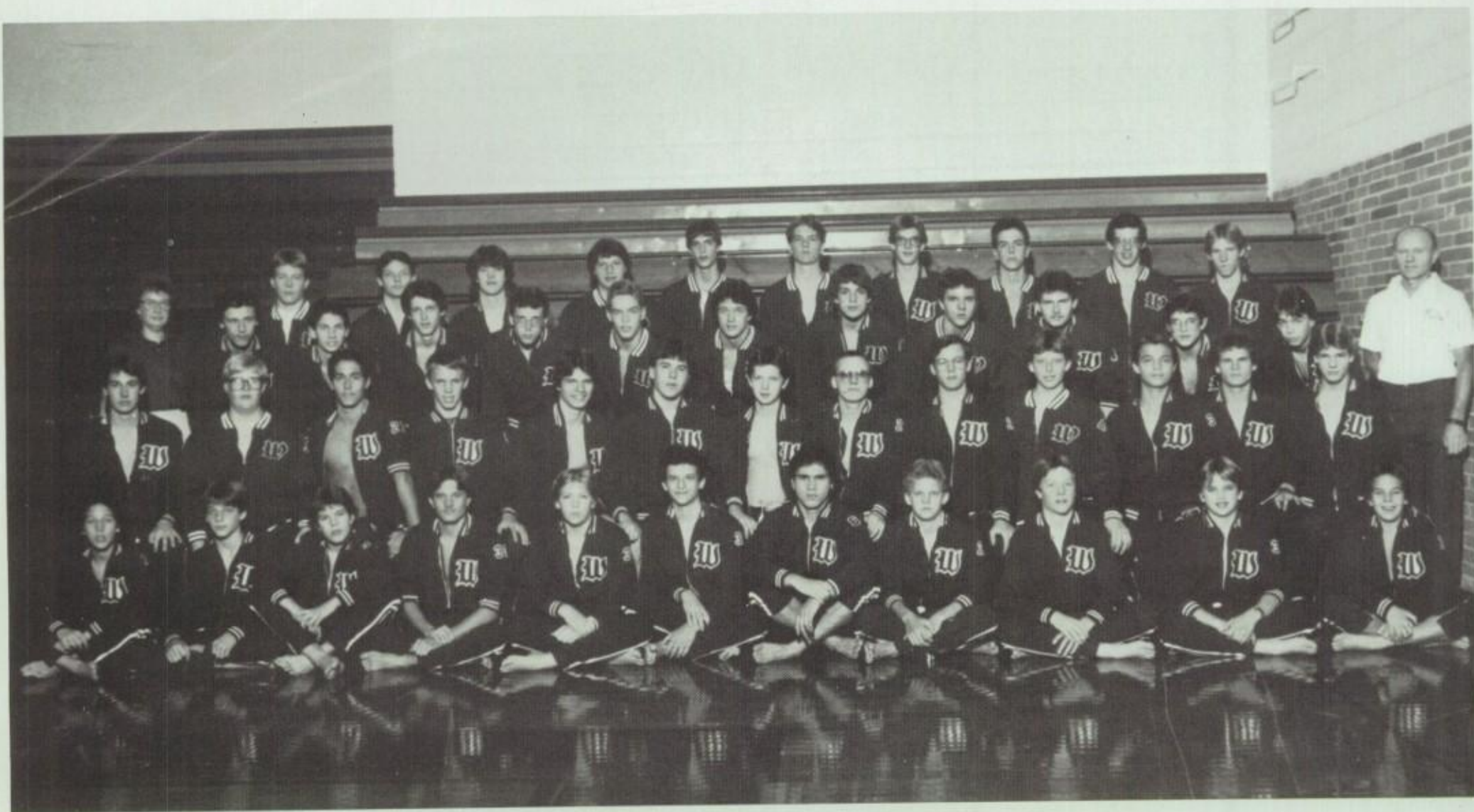
"The girls had a lot of fun and stuck together," Coach Ripslinger said, "and although we didn't have a great season, I had an enjoyable time coaching them. I feel that we will be a stronger team next year, even though we will lose Kathy and Amy Navarre."

"We didn't have one of the greatest seasons, but we kept our spirits up and had a blast. I am going to miss everyone next year, but at least I will have the memories of a fun-filled season," **Amy Navarre**, '86 exclaimed.

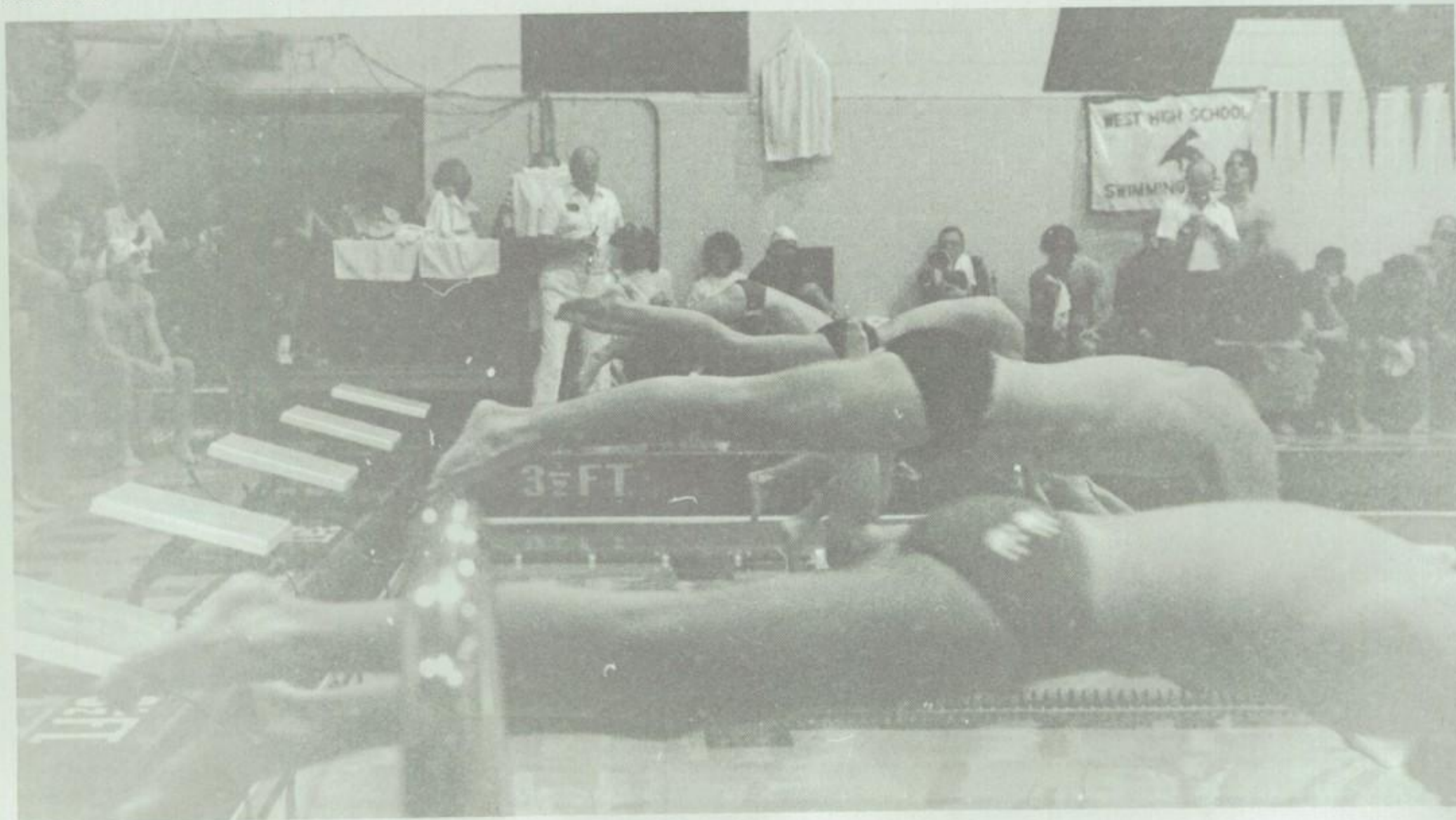
(written by D. Zastrow)



FRONT ROW: Debbie Pruden, Kari Kirkpatrick, Susan Strader, and Tracy Clendenin. SECOND ROW: Sara Hendrick, Ellen Kramer, Angie Mosier, Lynn Carstens, Nancy Uhrich, Alida Lee, and Susan Fahrenkrug. THIRD ROW: Beth Bearbower, Heather Lelonek, Kathy Bohling, Kelli Schoo, Pam Uhrich, Amy Navarre, and Tammy Roseman. BACK ROW: Kim Greenwood, Michelle Kaufmann, Amy Brown, Diane Miller, Kerri Mock, Jeanne Pittman, Mindy Anderson, and Kirstin Drexler. Not Pictured: Anne Carthey, Vicki Lopez, Tracy White, Coach Jane Ripslinger, and Assistant Coach Ruth Johnson. (photo by J. Morissey)



FIRST ROW: Randy Strayer, Jeff Warwick, Randy Speth, Steve Roenfeldt, Brian Ruhl, Jason Walker, Bob Griggs, Ted Christiansen, Marty Meyer, Dave Navarre, and Daryl Strayer. SECOND ROW: Ken Entsminger, Chris Graham, Scott Ogradowczyk, Curt Lobdell, Dale Nelson, Jason Dugan, Brad Atherton, Jody Harris, Paul Springer, Jim Heuer, Nick Beronich, Troy Lane, and Brad Branstedt. THIRD ROW: Coach Jane Jepsen, Scott Schnauber, Jeff Bleitz, Don Nagel, Craig Steining, Grant Lemen, Kurt Helfter, Rich Thobe, Thad Christiansen, Kris Heilman, Rick Bohling, and Tony Hepner. COACH DON JEPSEN. FOURTH ROW: Roger Meyer, Brad Treiber, Kevin Pence, Troy Eacker, Eric Banks, Bret Sparbel, Byron Frick, Brad Cunningham, Russ Hudson, and Rick Wallace. (photo courtesy of Warner Medlin)



During the West and North meet, swimmers spring off into action in a competitive race. (photo by D. Navarre)

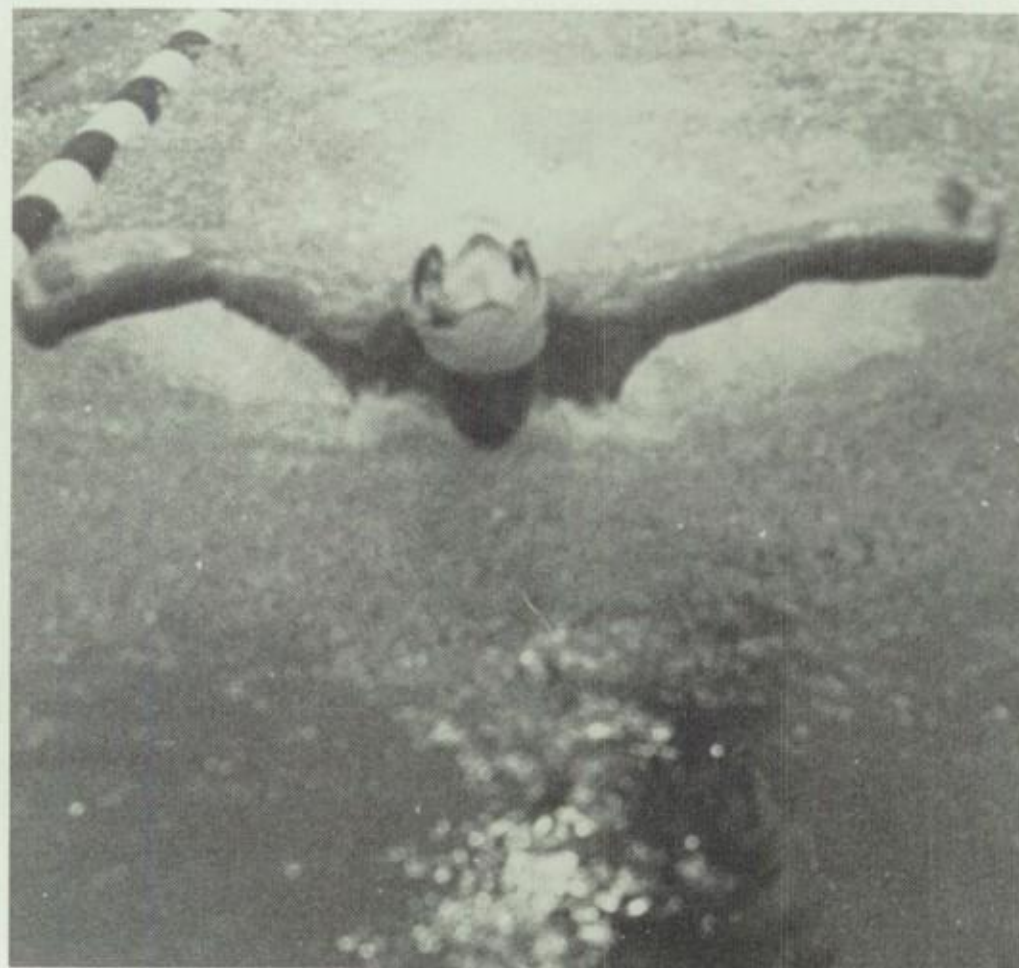
Boys' Swim Team "Sticks Together"

"The young men supported each other through a rough season," exclaimed boys' swimming Coach Don Jepsen. The boys swim team ended their season with a 4-7 record. "This year wasn't one of our best seasons, but I think we did well as a team," replied Grant Lemen, '86. The boys' swim team supported each other so much that out of 44 players, the team only lost two players. The boys' swim team also sent eight swimmers and divers to state this year. They were as follows: Rick Bohling, '88, Thad Christensen, '86, Kurt Helfter, '86, Grant Lemen, '86, Dale Nelson, '86, Randy Strayer, '88, and Jeff Warrick, '89. "I think the boys will do a great job at state, and I

am confident that some of them will place," added Coach Jepsen.

The Falcons swam their way past the North Wildcats twice with overall scores of 95 and 104. "We did a great job during those meets and it showed," commented Kurt Helfter, '86. One other exciting meet was against the Central Blue Devils. "We gave our all and it paid off," exclaimed Russ Hudson, '86. The Falcons defeated the Blue Devils 104-63.

With a majority of the team returning next season, Coach Jepsen is hopeful. "I think next season, the team will be even stronger, and we might see a lot more of the team qualifying for state," added Coach Jepsen.



A Falcon swimmer uses all of his strength to win the match. (photo by D. Navarre)

A Falcon diver performing a backward somersault during a home meet. (photo by D. Navarre)

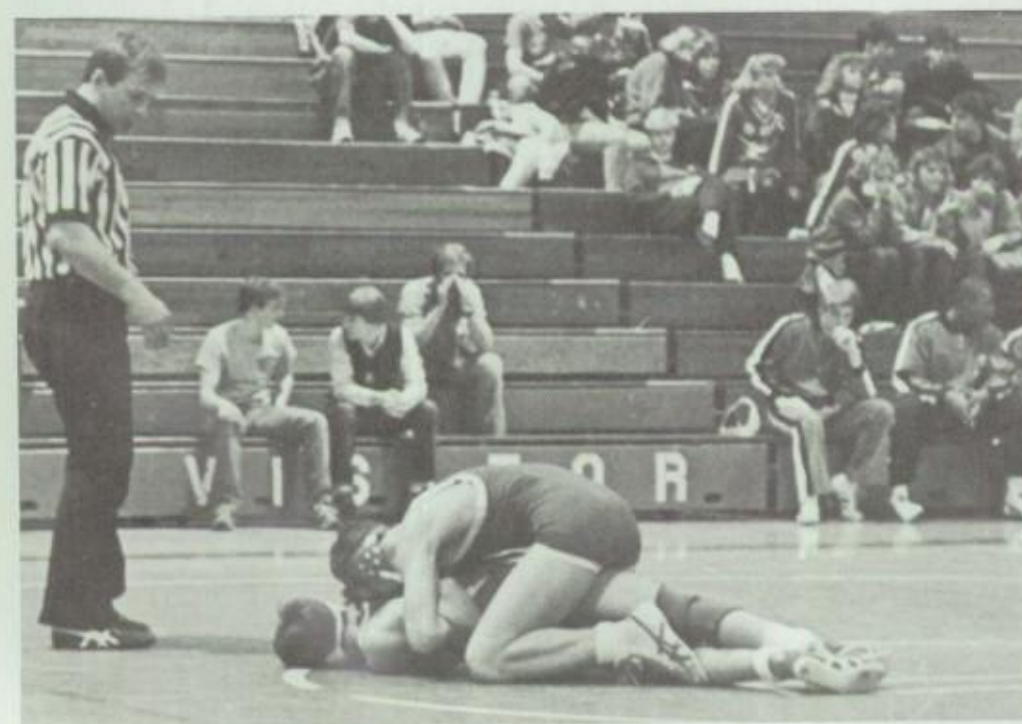
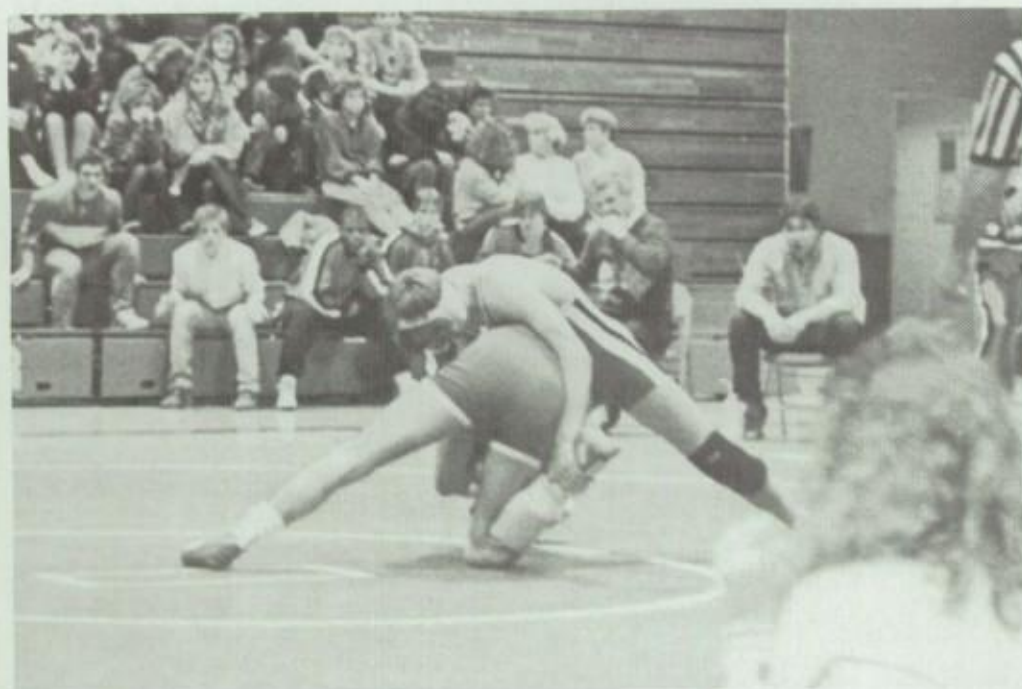
BOYS' VARSITY SWIMMING SCOREBOARD

We	Opponent	They
66	Moline	106
78	Dubuque Senior	94
65	Bettendorf	106
67	Rock Island	105
64	Munster, Indiana	108
83	Muscatine	87
104	Davenport North	66
92	Clinton	80
104	Davenport Central	63
81	Burlington	91
95	Davenport North	72

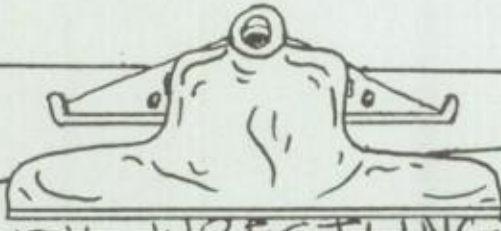

Record: Wins 4 Losses 4



FIRST ROW: Robert Agan, Aaron Hoelzer, Chuck Bartlett, Neal Hermiston, Troy Hawley, Mike Herbert, Dawyne Cartee, Charlie Erritt, and Mike Heinisch, drop. SECOND ROW: Matt Harsch, drop, Mike Farley, drop, Mike Ridenou, drop, Jon Ebner, Brian Atkins, and Rick McKnown. THIRD ROW: Scott Uhrich, Harold Hill, Carey Brown, Robert Reindeau, Randy Lamar, Mike Castle, and Gene Daily.



(1) A Falcon wrestler tries to untangle himself during an Assumption meet. (2) Doug Williams, '88 pins a Knight for the match. (photos by D. Zastrow)

 		
VARSITY WRESTLING SCOREBOARD '86		
<u>We</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>They</u>
49	ROCK ISLAND	12
21	BETTENDORF	20
36	MOLINE	21
45	NORTH	21
61	ASSUMPTION	0
62	CENTRAL	9
21	CLINTON	28
49	BURLINGTON	6
63	DURANT	0
39	MUSCATINE	22
<u>Invitationals</u>		
Quint	Champions	
Washington	Champions	
North Scott	Champions	
Urbandale	5 th place	
Record: 10-1		

Gene Williams

The Mean Red Machine Goes for State

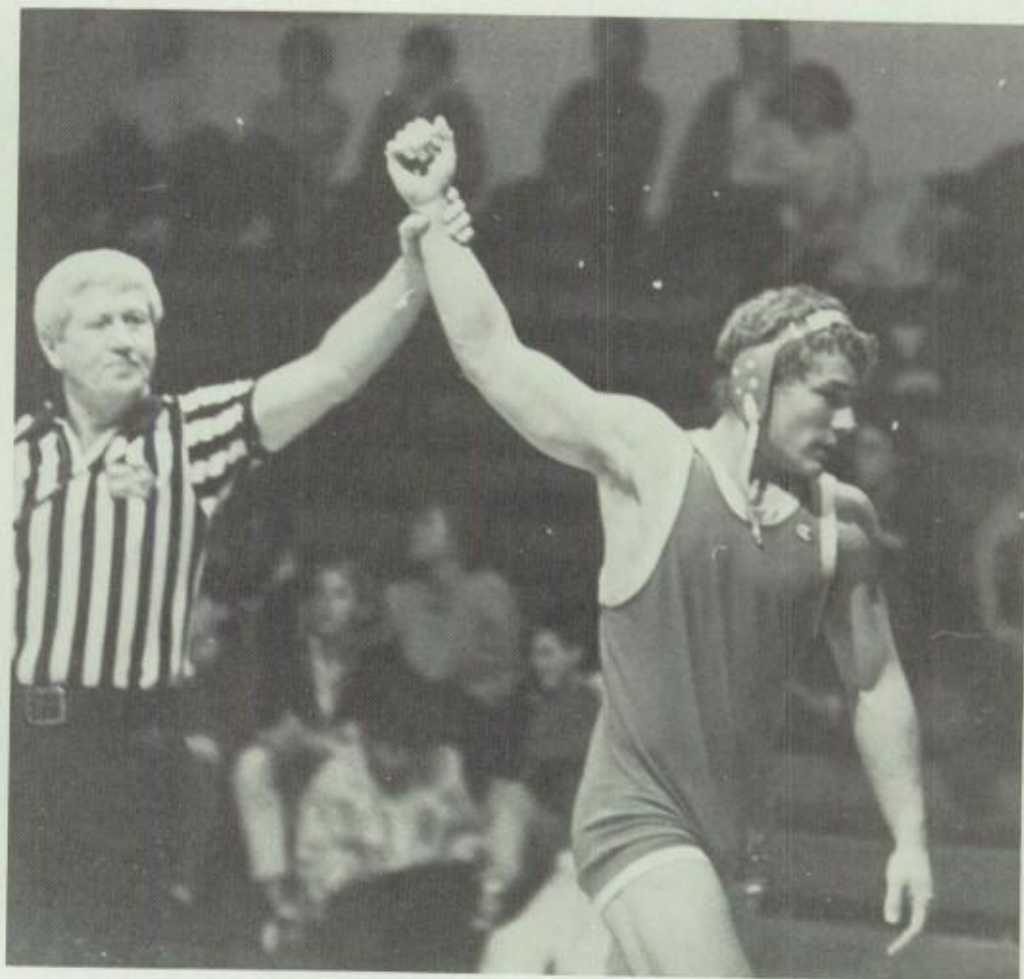
The Red Machine showed its stuff for the second year in a row. The mighty Falcon wrestlers had a stupendous season as they ended their season with 11 wins and one loss. "We are just the toughest Red Machine in Iowa," growled Scott Bartling, '86. Seven members of the Falcon wrestling team qualified for state. They were as follows: Robert Agan, '87, Scott Bartling, '86, Phil Gillespie, '87, Travis Hazelett, '86, Jeff Masterson, '86, Steve Swanson, '86, and Mike Weisrock, '86. Coach Morris Barnhill was optimistic about his state qualifiers. "They are tough and strong, and I know they will soar to the top at the state meet," exclaimed Coach Barnhill.

Taking a look back at the season, all the glory and work paid off for the Falcons as they pinned player after player, and their name "Mean Red Machine" was holding true. The toughest match the Falcons faced were the Clinton River Kings. "All of us knew Clinton would be a tough team to beat and we were really upset at being defeated," exclaimed Doug Williams, '87. The River Kings defeated the Falcons 19-16.

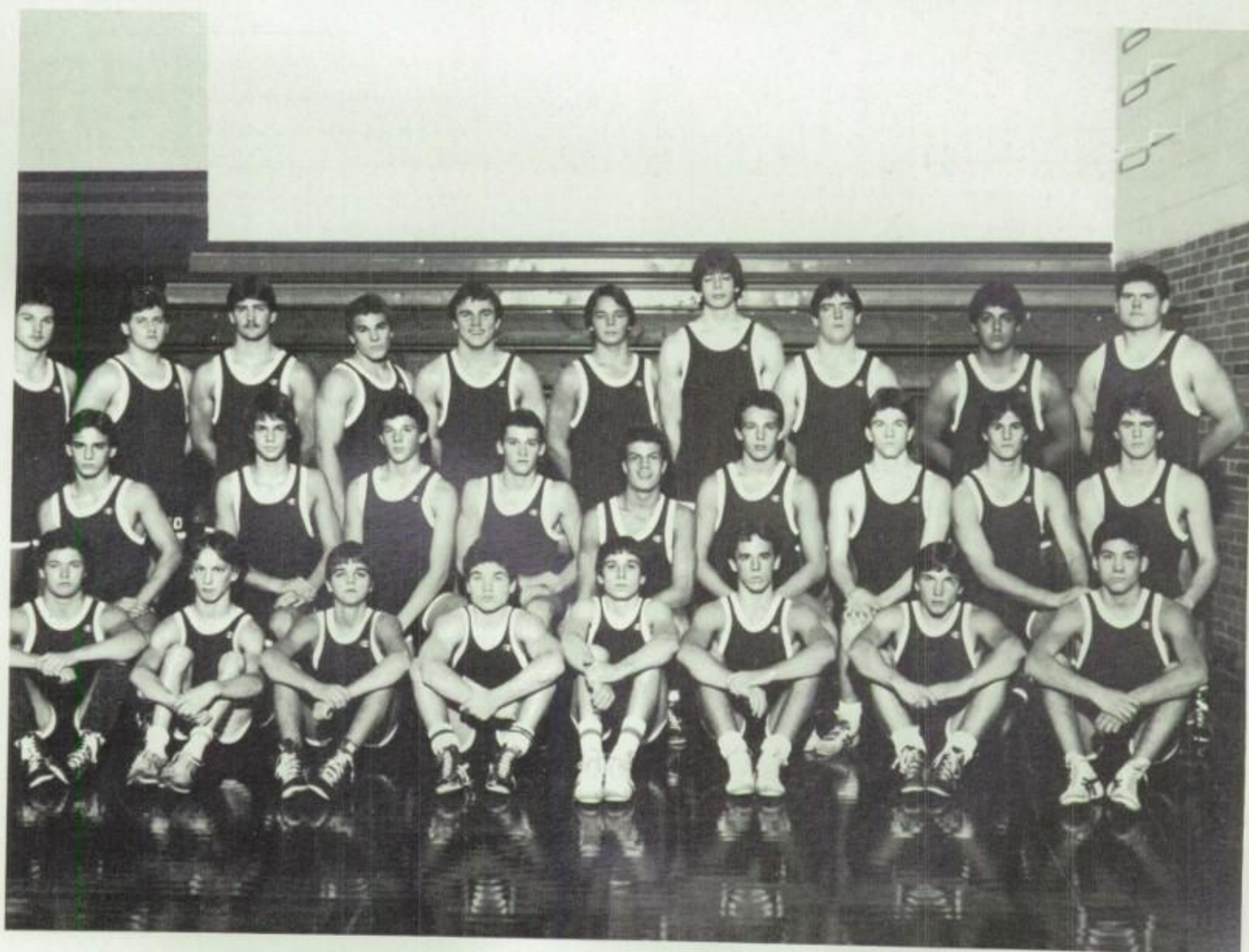
Coach Barnhill is already beginning to work the '86-'87 wrestling team and getting them ready for state. "It would be great to be state champs two years in a row," Coach Barnhill exclaimed excitedly. (written by D. Zastrow)



Dave Sidwell, '87, pronounced winner of the match. (photo by B. Cach)

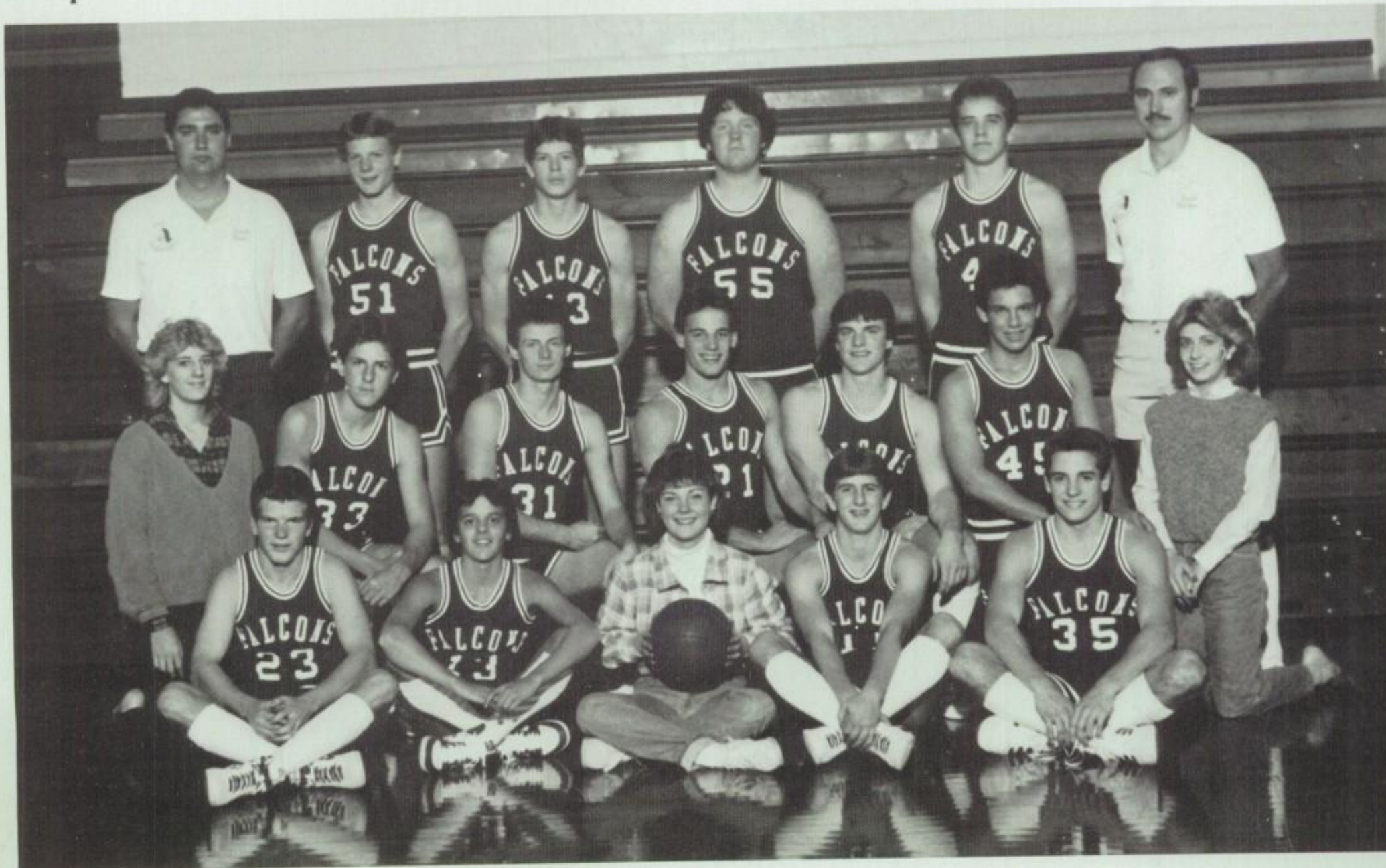


After a tough match, Jeff Masterson, '86, is declared the winner. (photo by D. Harkins)



FIRST ROW: Steve Swanson, Sean Barnhill, Mark Tanner, Joel Purcell, Dave Sidwell, Doug Williams, and Geoff Bruns, drop. MIDDLE ROW: Paul Coe, Mike Doran, Jeff Hazelett, Scott Webster, Mike Postel, Travis Hazelett, Kurt Snay, Mike Weisrock, and Matt Clay. BACK ROW: Brad McDermott, Eric Brown, Mike Wardlow, Jeff Masterson, Phil Gillespie, Paul Schliekelman, Ralph Hughes, drop, Brady Fitzgerald. not pictured: Scott Bartling.

Sophs Show Promising Potential



FRONT ROW: Ken Ockerman, J. D. Rios, manager Sheri Ralfs, Doug Beasley, and Kent Cesler. MIDDLE ROW: Manager Ann Willis, Jeff Cox, Aaron Arnold, Jeff Ryan, Kevin Rommel, Bob Tucker, and Manager Amy Lund. BACK ROW: Coach Bill Seal, Dan Martens, Darrin Moroney, Brad Koening, David Ward, and Coach Steve Saladino. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)



Jeff Ryan ready to pass the ball to David Ward while avoiding a Muskie opponent. (photo by M. McCrindle)

The boys' sophomore basketball team doesn't get the publicity it deserves. "The guys work really hard and work as a team, but not too many people watch them," expressed sophomore basketball Coach Steve Saladino. The team ended their season with a 5-13 record. "We were a pretty aggressive team," exclaimed Jeff Ryan, '88.

The Falcons began their season with a close game against Riverdale. "It was the beginning of the season, and we really wanted to start the season with a win, and we were disappointed when we lost by 1 point," replied David Ward, '88. The Falcons lost with a score 49-50. After the first game the Falcons had trouble turning their luck around until the Falcons faced the Burlington Greyhounds. The Falcons showed their potential as

they flew past the Greyhounds 57-53. "We were ecstatic!" exclaimed Kent Cesler, '88.

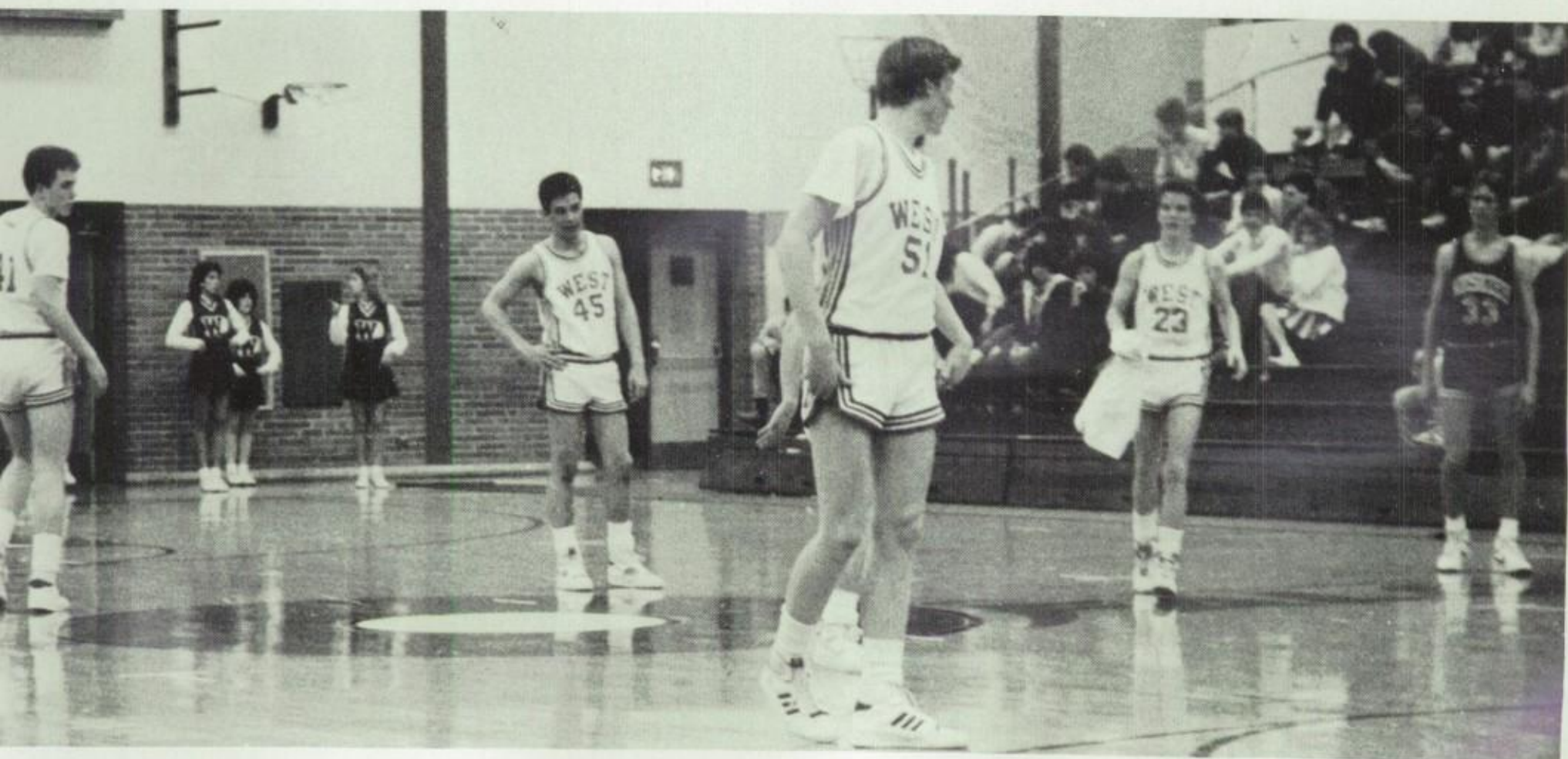
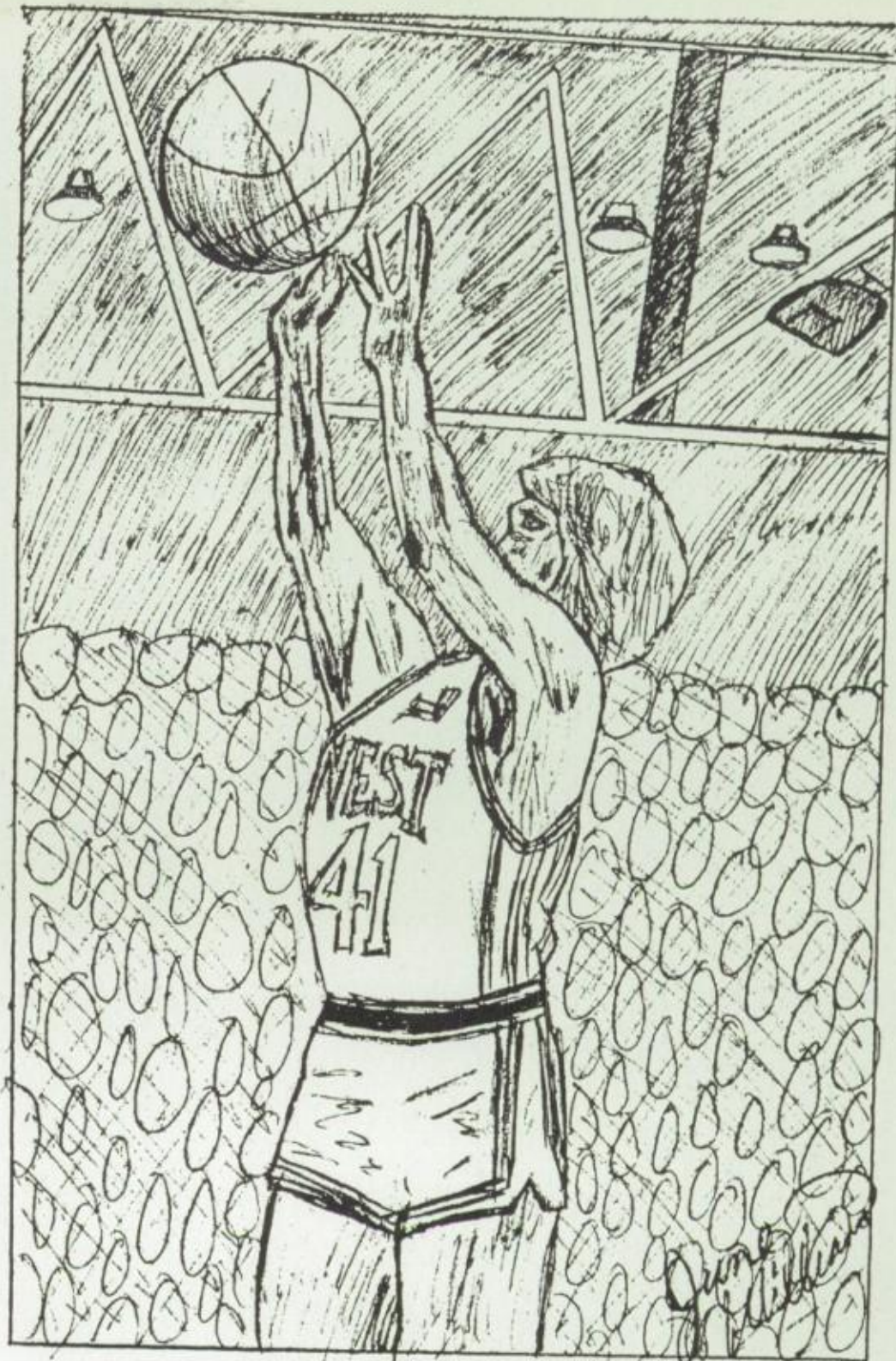
"Overall, the guys did a good job, and there is a lot of potential within the guys," commented Coach Saladino. "Saladino was a great coach, and although we didn't have the best record, we had fun," expressed Bob Tucker '88. (written by D. Zastrow)

SOPHOMORE BOYS' BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

We	Opponent	They
49	Riverdale	50
31	Bettendorf	56
24	North	33
52	North Scott	58
41	Assumption	44
48	Central	50
46	Clinton	66
57	Burlington	53
47	Muscatine	64
63	Bettendorf	71
32	Rock Island	34
58	North	57
63	Assumption	48
50	Central	48
49	Clinton	34
64	Burlington	66
48	Muscatine	58
45	North Scott	50

Record: Wins 5 Losses 13

Gene Williams



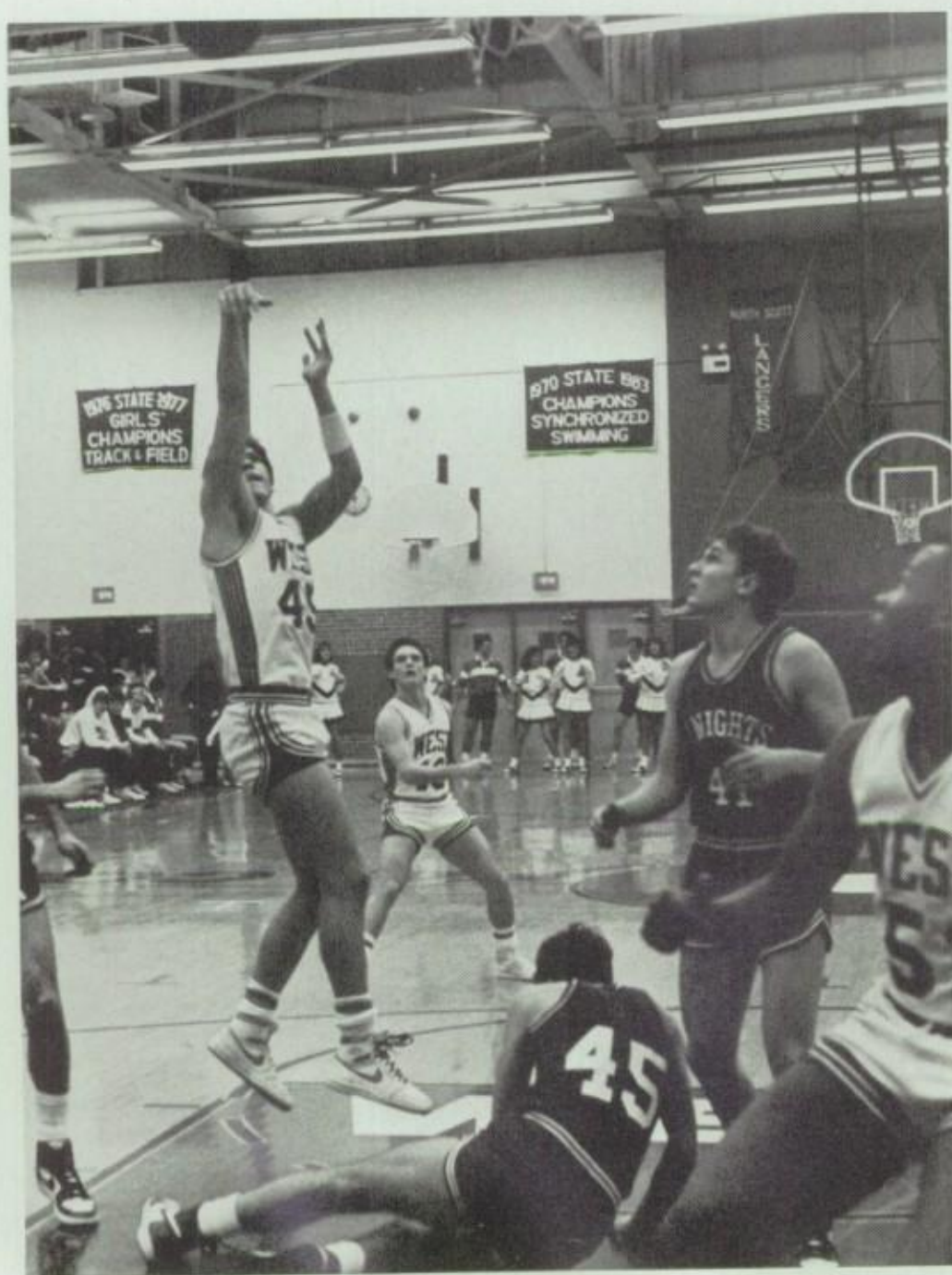
an Martens, David Ward, Bob Tucker, and Ken Ockerman take a break during the Muscatine game. (photo by M. McCrindle)



Coach Wessel advises Scott Ryan on a future play while Coach Greenlee and Jeff Carson watch the game. (photo by D.Navarre)



Jeff Snyder and Scott Ryan wait for a jump ball by Joe Burkhardt. (photo by D.Navarre)



Troy Mullenberg releases the ball while attempting to score two more points. (photo by D. Navarre)

BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD		
We	Opponent	They
61	Freeport	57
78	Rockford	45
56	Bettendorf	71
72	North	57
62	North Scott	43
64	Assumption	53
66	Central	70
55	Clinton	56
54	Burlington	56
63	Muscatine	60
67	Bettendorf	85
42	Rock Island	66
68	North	45
29	North Scott	31
65	Assumption	54
60	Central	64
65	Clinton	61
55	Burlington	77
61	Muscatine	45
Record: Wins 9 Losses 8		

Varsity Basketball Rebounds Through Season



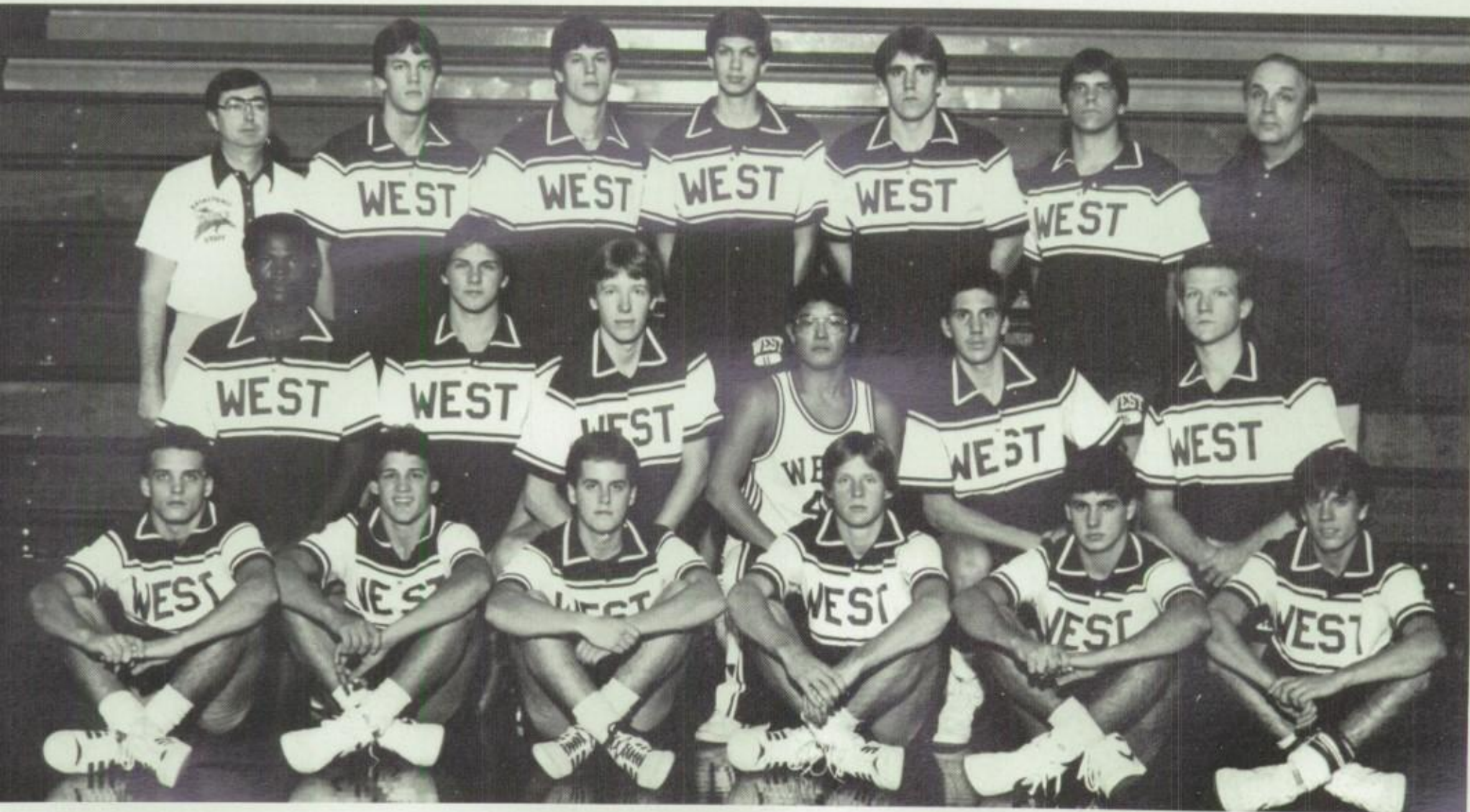
Steve Howland looks for an open teammate to pass the ball to. (photo by S. Lyle)

The boys' varsity basketball team ended their season with a 10-9 record. "It was a tough season and we were prone to injuries this season too," exclaimed Coach Dave Wessel. The varsity team started out fairly new with one sophomore, nine juniors, and seven seniors. "Although the team was fairly new, they worked hard and tried their best," added Coach Wessel.

The Falcons began their season with wins against Freeport and Rockford in non-conference action. The Falcons first conference meet was against the Bettendorf Bulldogs. "It was a tough game, and although we lost, we tried," exclaimed Jeff Snyder, '86. The Bulldogs defeated the Falcons 71-56. After one loss, the Falcons didn't get down and the Falcons dribbled by the new city rival North Wildcats, 72-57. "It was hard playing some of our old teammates," commented Troy Muilenberg, '86.

With the season over, the Falcons are in the process of tournament games.

"Who knows, we might win the tournament and maybe state," exclaimed Scott Ryan, '87. With most of the players returning Coach Wessel is optimistic that the team will be stronger next season and that the Falcons will be toward the top in conference play. (written by D. Zastrow)



FRONT ROW: Steve Howland, Scott Ryan, Greg Rios, Carry Hund, Joe Burkhardt, and Tim Shie. MIDDLE ROW: Izell Hughes, Todd Peterson, Tim Cross, Daisuke Ito, Tom Quigley, and Jeff Snyder. BACK ROW: Assistant Coach John Greenlee, Steve Taves, Paul Doerrfeld, Mike Porter, Jeff Carson, and Troy Muilenberg, Coach Dave Wessel. (courtesy Warner Medlin)

Sophs Dribble on to Success



Pam Hobart shows her style as she tries for two points. (Photo by D. Zastrow)

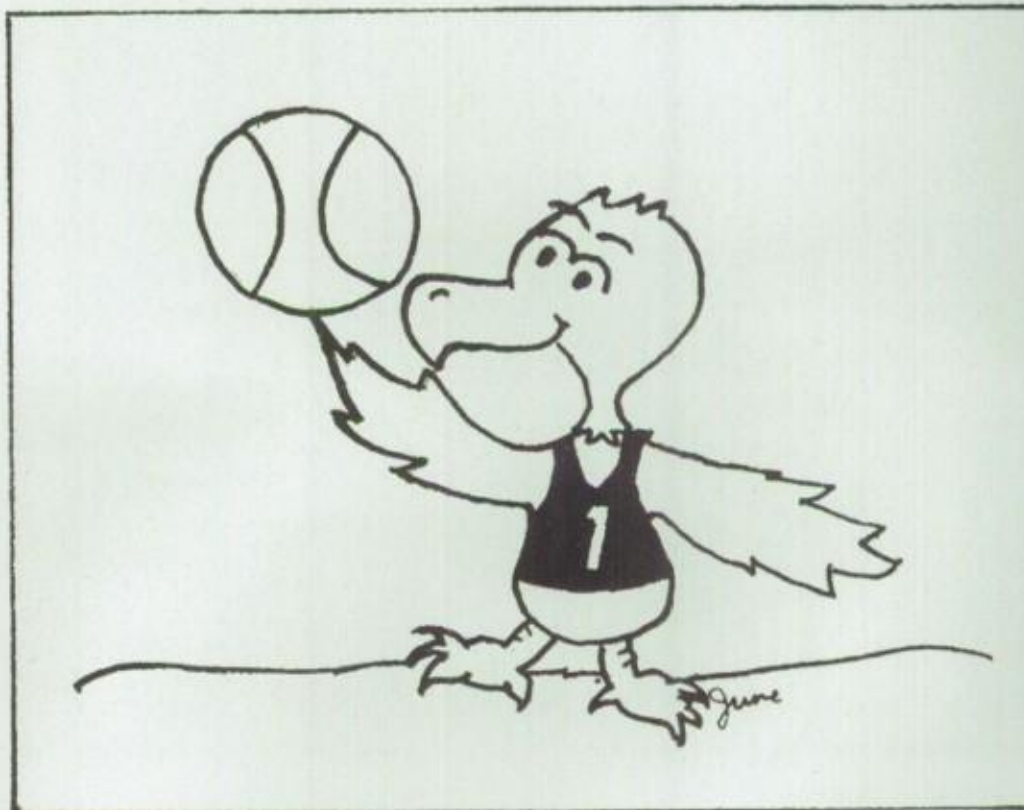
"The girls did a tremendous job this season, and they worked together terrifically!" said sophomore girls' basketball coach, Scott Wolf. The girls ended their season with a 12-6 record and 11-5 in conference. "It was a lot of work, but it was worth it," replied Pam Hobart, '88.

The Falcons started the season with a win against Dubuque Senior. Next it was off to Bettendorf, where the Falcons were defeated by two points. A really close win for the lady Falcons was against Muscatine, with West dribbling past the Muskies 39-38. "That game was a killer, but we put in a lot of effort and came out on top!" exclaimed Kelli Willert, '88.

"The girls were excellent to work with and they will strengthen their abilities next season on the varsity team," explained Coach Wolf. "Coach Wolf was great and I'm glad I had the chance for him to coach me," replied Suzy Husling, '88 proudly. (written by D. Zastrow)

Wk	Opponent	They
58	Dubuque Senior	20
29	Bettendorf	31
38	Davenport North	35
54	North Scott	34
41	Assumption	42
56	Davenport Central	13
49	Clinton	34
54	Burlington	29
39	Muscatine	38
33	Bettendorf	36
64	North	27
39	North Scott	47
44	Assumption	41
36	Moline	39
34	Central	33
60	Clinton	35
50	Burlington	38
37	Muscatine	51
Total		12-6
Conference		11-5

June Willert





FRONT ROW: Branden Effland, Suzy Husling, Pam Hobart, Jill Burson, Susan Paustian, Jill Lange, Manager Treva Slack. BACK ROW: Assistant Coach Michelle Riordon, Kelli Willert, Beth Vardlow, Jennifer Schrader, Laura Beckman, Teresa Vastine, Tracy West, and Coach Scott Wolf. Not pictured: Dawn Paulsen, managers Karen Duncan, and Connie Hammes.





Kelli Willert begins to execute a free throw while a referee watches. (photo by D Zastrow)



Pam Hobart holds the ball during a time out. (photo by D. Zastrow)



Deanna Samuelson, '87, uses her height and defensive ability during a West and North rivalry battle. (photo by D. Navarre)

GIRLS' BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD '86

We	Opponent	They
61	De Witt Central	49
46	Camanche	41
39	Maquoketa	56
42	Dubuque Senior	44
39	Bettendorf	56
43	North	62
40	North Scott	69
55	Assumption	80
56	Central	41
65	Clinton	38
58	Burlington	34
53	Muscatine	43
47	Bettendorf	43
47	Davenport North	57
44	North Scott	71
40	Assumption	61
39	Moline	64
47	Central	44
62	Clinton	47
50	Burlington	43
47	Muscatine	54
35	Davenport North	39

Record - Wins: 10 Losses: 12

June Williams



Marcia Klindt, '86, Lori Calhoun, '87, Kim Bennett, '86, and Julie Loken, '86 take a quick water break during the West and Clinton game. (photo by D. Navarre)

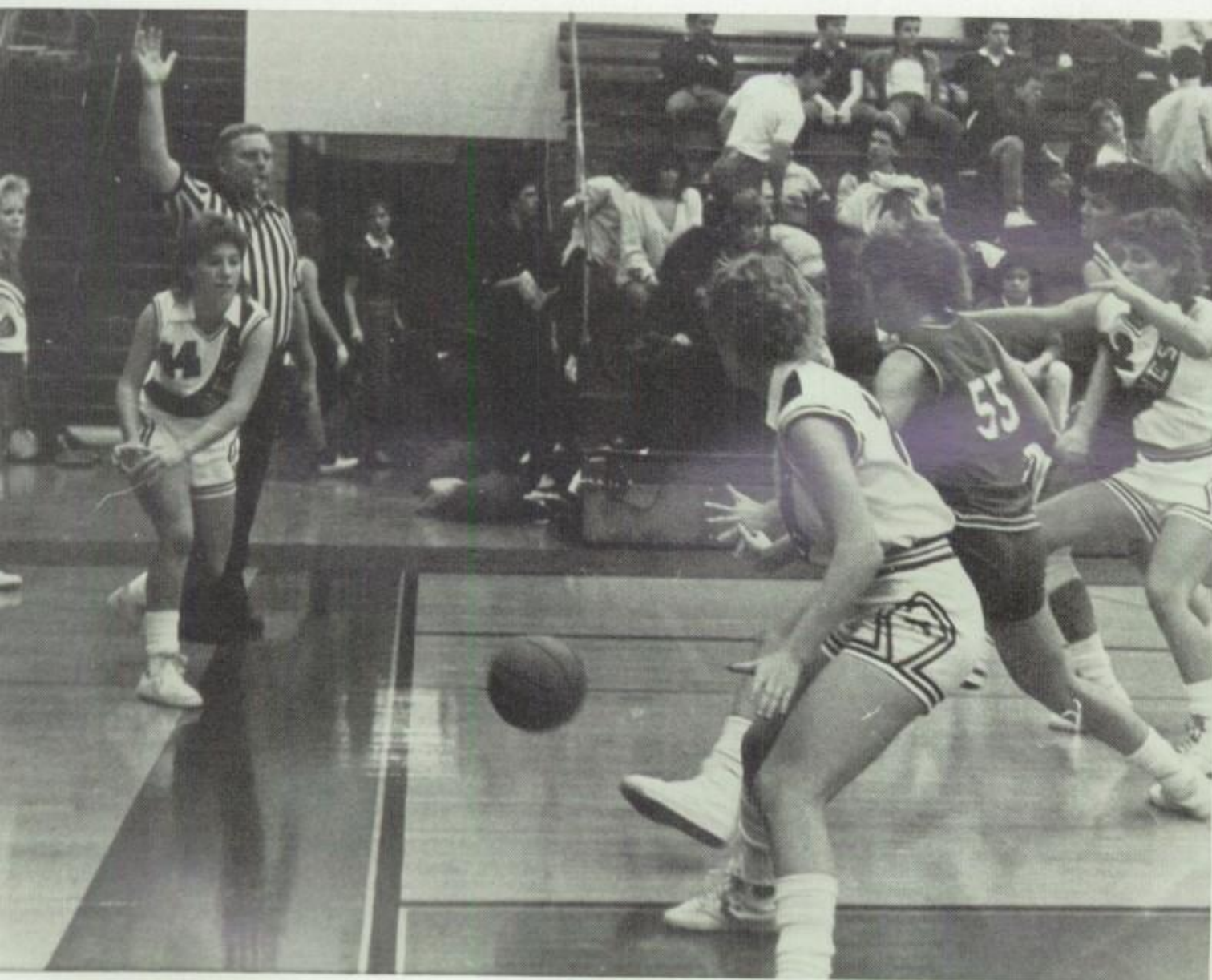


Laura Tietjen, '87 dribbles down the court searching for an open player. (photo by D. Zastrow)

Girls Swish Through Season



FRONT ROW: Kim Bennett, Julie Loken, and Marcia Klindt. BACK ROW: Coach Day, Becky Harper, Kristal Koberg, Lori Calhoun, Amy Rose, Deanna Samuelson, Manager Dave Janecek, Stacy McKee, Raquel Terhune, Laura Tietjen, Chris Rider, Pam Eis, and Assistant Coach Kurka. (photo by K. Redeker)

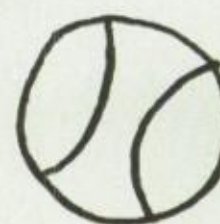


Laura Tietjen, '87, passes the ball to Raquel Terhune, '87, with the help of some Falcon defense. (photo by D. Navarre)

"It was really fun coaching this season, and the girls improved immensely throughout the season," exclaimed girls' varsity coach Dave Day. The lady Falcons ended their season with a 10-12 record. "The season had its ups and downs but we got our act together at the end of the season and did a great job of it," replied Marcia Klindt, '86.

The beginning of the season had its share of defeats, but the girls never gave up, and they worked and worked until they began to make a turnaround. One example of this was during the Burlington game. "All that extra practice and team effort sure helped us," replied Lori Calhoun, '87. The lady Falcons defeated the Greyhounds 50-43.

"We have a fairly new team and Julie Loken, Kim Bennett, and Marcia Klindt will be missed," exclaimed Coach Day. "With most of the players returning next season, we will have a very tough team to beat," added Coach Day. (written by D. Zastrow)





Tracey Norton executes her own particular style on the uneven bars. (photo by K. Redeker)



A special treat for the girls' gymnastic team this year is the entertaining gymnasts from Yucatan. (photo by K. Redeker)



FRONT ROW: drop, Linda Willis, Audrey Snider, Jenny Webster, Kristin Marti, Kathie Guizar, Tracey Steffen, drop. BACK ROW: Coach Jim Marti, manager Tracy Dietz, Dana Kelly drop, Corrine Holtkamp, Tracy Norton, Ginger Walsh, manager Sue Nielsen, and Coach Ruth Johnson. (courtesy of Warner Medlin)

Girl Gymnasts Execute Stylish Season

"It was an exciting season, and we pulled together when we needed to," expressed **Corine Holtkamp**, '86. The girls' gymnastics team ended their season with a 6-7 record. "The young ladies did a spectacular job this season, and I was very proud of them," exclaimed Coach Ruth Johnson. The team consisted of ten gymnasts, one senior, three juniors, and six sophomores. "We had a lot of tough competition, but we stuck together," replied **Kris Marti**, '87.



The girls' gymnastic season started off with style as the Falcons beamed ahead of Tipton with an overall score of 124.75. The Falcon girls' next win was against the North Wildcats. "We executed very well during that meet, and it was great to win over our new rivals," gushed **Audrey Snider**, '87. The Falcon gymnasts graced by

the Wildcats with an overall score of 113.80.

One enjoyable week during the season was the visit of the girls' gymnastic team from Yucatan. "They were very friendly, and they were superb gymnasts," expressed **Dana Kelly**, '88. Besides making some foreign friends, the girls' gymnastic team ended their season gracefully and stylishly. (written by D. Zastrow.)



Kris Marti performs a difficult vaulting exercise while all eyes are on her. (photo by K. Rodriguez)

 		
GIRLS' GYMNASTICS SCORE BOARD		
We	Opponent	They
124.75	Tipton	94.85
119.15	Central	119.20
117.0	Bettendorf	123.65
113.80	North	100.15
128.05	Assumption	123.2
119.05	Muscatine	93.4
124.6	Moline	116.8
116.7	Rock Island	120.0
125.1	Clinton	141.8
110.05	Central	125.1
125.55	Clinton	135.2
109.75	Assumption	125.4
116.3	North	85.0
Conference Bettendorf		116.2
Record: Wins <u>5</u> Losses <u>7</u>		

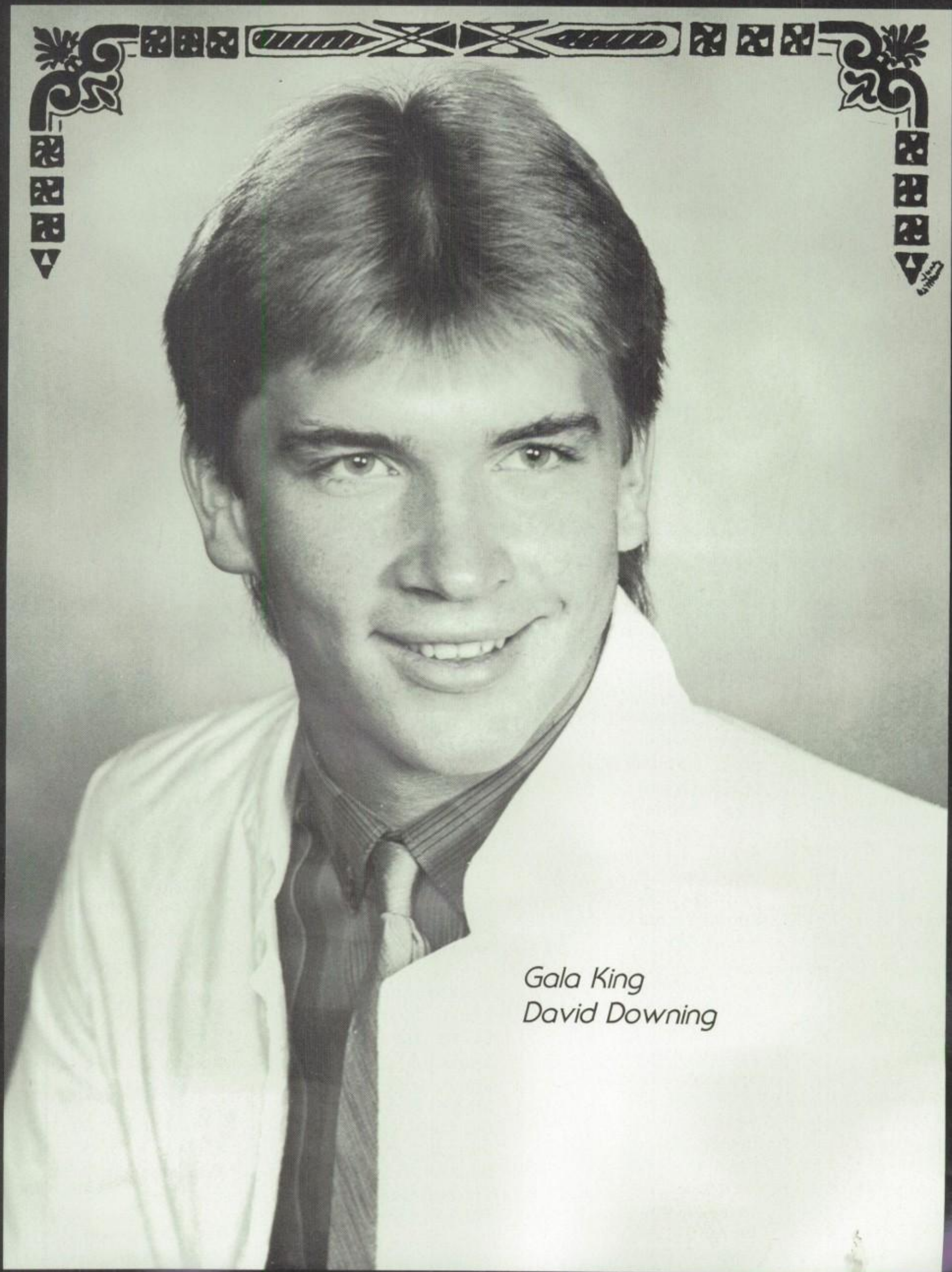


One of the painful effects of gymnastics is calloused and blistered hands. (photo by K. Redeker)

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Congratulations for a Job Well Done and Thank You for a Great Year!!!

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The book has been finished and your first real look at it as a whole has finally come. Leafing through the book, many memories will begin to flood our minds of the sometimes difficult times, and also the joyous, smooth times.

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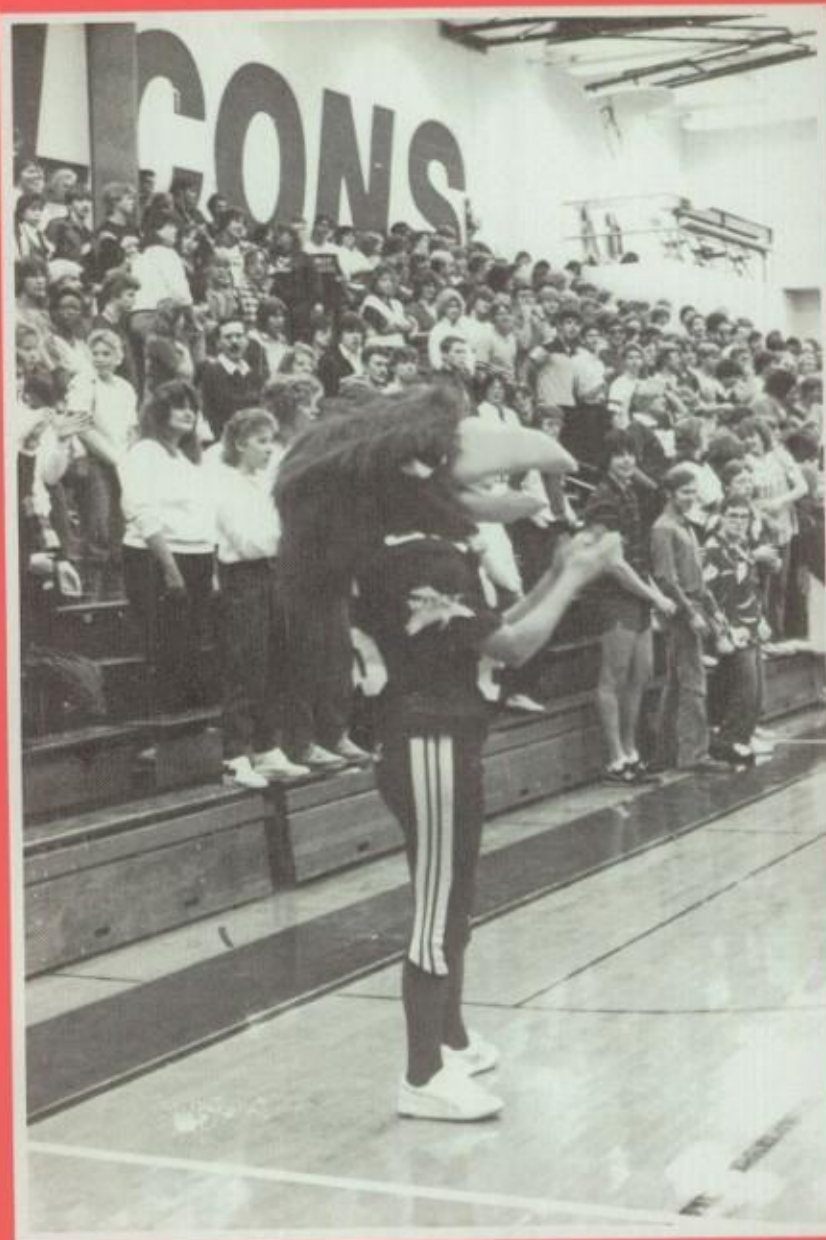
Sinister Grins--In

As the clock wound down and the end of the year loomed ahead, reflecting on the past brought a quick smile to many students' faces. It seemed to have been just yesterday when school started and the next thing we knew was that a new class was graduating and the underclassmen were advancing to another level. The sophomores suddenly took on sinister grins when they realized that their turn to be picked on was finally over, and they would get the chance next year to do a little picking themselves.

For some, however, the whole year crept by like a crippled turtle and never seemed to pick up speed. Down to the very last minute of the last class of the year,

they were looking at the clock and were ready to jump out of their seats at the first sound of the click of the school clocks. No matter how slowly the time passed, they survived the year.

Remembering the little, seemingly unimportant quirks and events that made the year what it was, for the first time, some students got a feeling of astonishment. First the memory of the first crush of the year floated to the surface of some minds with the recollections of pep auds, dances, parties, running out of t.p. in the bathroom, tripping in the hall, making fun of sophs, serving detentions, dropping a tray, t.p.ing a house, sports events, and achievements not far behind. (written by J. Wheadon)

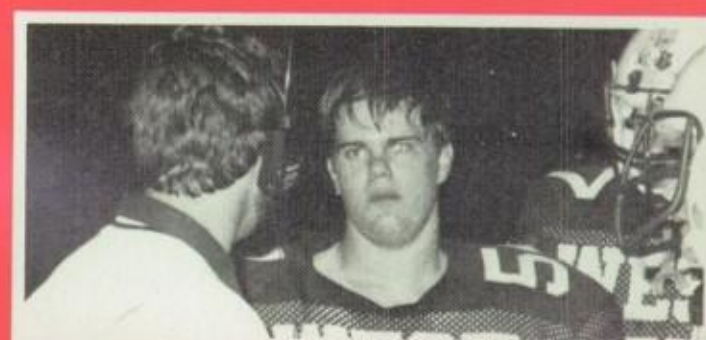


1. Freddy rouses spirits and fun at the pep auds. (photo by K. Redeker)
2. Band members practice hard to entertain the crowds. (photo by J. Wheadon)

3. Mr. Saladino donned elaborate red and white to show his spirit. (photo by K. Redeker)
4. The benches were a good place to chat and cram for a test. (photo by K. Redeker)



1. With the attention of the camera, these students are seized by a wild moment of excitement. (photo by J. Morrissey)
2. Playing hacky sack on the front lawn became a familiar sight during lunch. (photo by K. Rodriguez)



3. Trying to rouse some spirit in the students, Coach Roger Harrington and Mr. William Rettko go into action with wheelbarrow in hand. (photo by J. Morrissey)
4. Bridget Foley, '86, becomes surrounded by a bouquet of balloons and gets caught having fun at the homecoming game. (photo by J. Morrissey)
5. The cheerleaders get into form and try to pep up the crowd at a pep aud. (photo by K. Redeker)
6. While talking to Mr. Jeff Kurka, Gary Gant, '86, listens to his words of strategy carefully and intently with hopes of success. (photo by J. Morrissey)

Taking Flight

As the end of the year approached, the concepts of freedom and being on their own began to appeal to more and more of the students. Testing their "wings" became more of a reality to many, while a mixture of feelings like the loss of leaving a place they had come to know so well and the excitement of beginning something new pushed the students through each day. In turn, each class began to adopt new ideas about the coming year and the changes they were to go through soon. High school was to be the best time of their lives, but it was also scary at times.



(1)Debbi Hoepner, '86, strives to exert her "superior" strength over Judy Wheadon, '86. (Photo by J. Morrissey)

(2)Taking time from a busy schedule, Eric Brown, '87, and Jason Dugan, '87 stop to talk in the hall. (Photo by D. Kunkle)



(3)Not quite mastering the tricycle is Paul Doerrfeld, '86. (Photo by J. Morrissey)



(2)Receiving help from Jon Keeney, '86, Tom Hernandez discovers that pudding in the face is messy. (Photo by M. Parker)



(3)Discovering some new equipment and how to use it proves interesting for these two industrial arts students. (Photo by K. Redeker)



(4)Jeff Masterson, '86, shows the crowds during an aud how well he can master the sometimes difficult to manage tricycle.(Photo by J. Morrissey)

A reflection upon the past showed times of trouble and torment, and times of elation and excitement. Many students would soon leave West without any regrets, but to a few, West would remain a place they had once thought of as home. Taking off on their own left misty feelings within many students. (Written by J. Wheadon)



(1)



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(1) A misty, deserted courtyard reflects the feelings within many students as they contemplate leaving. (Photo by M. McCrindle)

(3) Dawn Zastrow, '86, works diligently to complete the sometimes tedious and time-consuming work that yearbook often takes. (Photo by M. Moscinski)



(2)



(4)

(2) The end of the year approaches and Kim Aust, '86, doesn't let the year go by without waving a sorrowful good-bye to a few of his fellow students. (Photo by K. Redeker)

(4) Lisa Daas, '87, Jennifer Parr, '87, and Michelle Ellenberg, '87, wait their turns. (Photo by C. Guske)

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Spring Fever Breaks Loose

Lines of students groaning about the cold weather, monotony of school, homework, and how slowly the time until graduation was passing were continuously heard in the halls of West throughout the long sluggish winter. When one thought all hope of spring arriving was lost, spring made its blessed appearance just in time to prevent everyone from losing their hope of being able to make it through the rest of the year. Finally, the time came when the students could peel a

layer of clothing off, flock to the front lawn of the school during lunch, and get out and enjoy the freedom that spring provided. For a start, spring sports took off while some good practice time was gained with the good weather. Not only did spring allow sports to flourish; many clubs gained a new desire to get out and begin new projects.

Among the clubs that did was GAA, which made possible their annual Easter Egg

Hunt. The hunt took place Thursday, March 20, before spring break. It began at 3:30 and was open to any children related to faculty. The Easter Bunny (Amy Rose, '87) entertained the children while other members of GAA hid the eggs.

All in all the spring of '86 was successful for many West High students who had the ability to make it on their own. (written by J. Wheadon and M. Parker)



Lori Calhoun, '87, assists a child during the GAA Easter Egg Hunt. (photo by T. Hinch)



Todd Figanbaum, '88, takes advantage of the spring weather to do some boarding at Vanderveer Park. (photo by B. Speer)

The Dreams Go On Forever

Months before spring arrived, hope ballooned in the hearts of many students while others made tentative plans for the future. The warming March breeze not only brought about the "summertime fever," but also created a hectic rush to boutiques and tuxedo shops.

Elegant ladies, suave men, and the aura of romance was the image conjured up when the word Prom was spoken. Prom held a special place in the hearts of many students, but even more in the hearts of graduating seniors. As the end of one part of their lives was drawing to a close, Prom gave seniors one more chance to enjoy their youth, celebrate with friends, and of course, be with that special someone.

The junior class sponsored the Junior-Senior Prom on May 3, 1986 at the River Center from 7:30-10:30. The junior class chose "These Dreams" as this year's theme. Tantalizing shades of blue, crisp white, and gleaming silver decorated the River Center, and as one stepped into the hall, an enticing and magical spectrum lay before all,

transporting everyone to a romantic paradise. The band "Cold Shot," rock-n-rolled all night, except for those dreamy slow melodies that made people remember . . .

"From grade one we have been anxious to graduate and get out of school. Prom made us realize how much we will miss all our friends and all of the good times we had," Kristin Hanson '86, said sadly.

After the Prom, many students went to romantic dinners or to the After Prom Party, with dancing, bands, food, casino games and prizes galore were in store for those who attended. "Friends could get together and have fun — best of all, it was free!" exclaimed Andrea Lenaghan, '86.

Eventually, the 1986 Junior-Senior Prom came to an end. Romance, excitement, joy, and especially fun were shared by most who attended. "These Dreams" that usually appear only when we close our eyes became a reality on the magical evening of May 3, 1986. (written by Dawn Zastrow)

Prom



June Williams, '86, displays her desire to be unique, as she tried on her tux for prom. (photo by K. Redeker)

Dawn Zastrow, '86, waits patiently for her escort. (photo by B. Speer)

Lisa Shinnars, '86, knows that the perfect dress is found only after trying on everything in the store. (photo by B. Speer)

Morp



Printed shorts were the norm for many dance attendants. (photo by K. Redeker)

Come As You Are!

Prom — it always means hitting mom and dad for those few extra dollars or working overtime just to pay for a dress or tux, but by attending Morp couples could have a great time for only three dollars.

Newly organized by Student Senate, Morp was prom spelled backwards and students were urged to dress down for the occasion, then dine at McDonald's.

The dance was scheduled

perfectly for the early arrival of spring weather and to relieve the wintertime blahs. A wave of wild prints flooded the dance with an array of shorts and shirts.

The prom alternative gave shy boys extra time to boost courage — especially if the girl asked him to Morp. Morp also included sophomores and those for whom prom wasn't affordable. (written by B. Speer)



Gregg Misner, '86, displaying a combination of formal and informal wear, poses with Kim Lybarger, '86. (photo by K. Redeker)

Jill Six, '88, and Suzy Hulsing, '88, show how to appreciate good music. (photo by K. Redeker)



Girls' Golf

The girls' golf team was in full swing as the Falcon ladies teed off with two wins at their first meet. "I think we have a fairly strong team, and I am looking forward to the rest of the season," exclaimed girls' golf coach Betty Smith. This year's team had six returning players and one new player. Bridget Foley, '86, was enthusiastic about the rest of the season: "I think that we will have a lot of fun this season and hopefully win a few meets." (written by D. Zastrow)



Front Row (L to R): Lori Calhoun, Bridget Foley, and Deanna Samuelson. Second Row (L to R): Karen Duncan, Kathleen Ingwersen, Miss Smith (coach), Julie Snyder, and Lori Squire.



Front Row (L to R): David Williams, Gary Patrick, J. D. Rios, Daryl Strayer, Randy Strayer, Mike Postel, Todd Frerichs, Steve Danielsen. Second Row (L to R): Kurt Ockerman, Dan Black, Larry Patrick, Greg Rios, Mark Janes, Scott Anderson, Steve Kenney, Todd Carruthers, Robert Lee, and Coach Colson.

Boys' Golf

Determined patience was the key to golf. The boys' golf team was coached by Richard Colson who stated, "We have a lot more players this year." The boys' golf team won their first two games. "It was great! We tried really hard and it worked," exclaimed Greg Rios, '86, enthusiastically. (written by D. Zastrow)

Girls' Soccer

"There are a lot of new faces this year, and I am very pleased with their performance so far this year," grinned Ruth Johnson, girls' varsity and J.V. coach. This year's team consisted of twenty-six girls. "I can't believe all of the new people on the team," replied Diane Kunkle, '87. The Falcons first goal was against the Central Blue Devils. The Falcons lost by one goal. "I think the ladies executed well considering that it was the first game of the season," added Coach Johnson.

"I am looking forward to the rest of the season, and hopefully a lot of fun, and of course, a few wins," commented Karla Schneider, '86. (written by D. Zastrow)



Front Row (L to R): Kecia Likeness, Anna Cook, Pamela Uhrich, Michelle Rissler, Diane Kunkle, and Candy Horlas. Second Row (L to R): Jeanne Pittman, Kristin Hanson, Priscilla Lamin, Nancy Uhrich, Shirley Burge, Becky Harper, Alida Lee Parker, Karla Schneider, and Mary Beth Baker. Third Row (L to R): Coach Ruth Johnson, Beth Wilcox, Stephanie Wheeler, Sara Handrick, Kim Roth, Corinne Holtkamp, April Hudson, Denise Cunningham, Amy Navarre, Stephanie Dietrich, and Roxanna Smith.

Boys' Soccer

The boys' junior-varsity and varsity soccer teams looked forward to a winning season that began with running and conditioning in March. Though few came to the first practices, and those that did weren't seasoned players, the team won their first three games. Jenö Berta, '86, demonstrated the go-get'em attitude of the team: "We have a new coach, Mr. Latchaw, who is really dedicated and the team works really hard, plus has a lot of fun." (written by B. Speer)



Front Row (L to R): Thanh Vo, Jose Rolden, Chin-Won Yi, Jenö Berta, Chee Peng, Minh Pham, and Andy Lomax. Second Row (L to R): Chong Ngo, Thu Nguyen, Dung Nguyen, Arnold Lopez, Sonny Nguyen, David Sidwell, Alton Ganbleton, Andy Hopp, Jason Walker, and Scott Snider. Third Row (L to R): John Latchaw, Coach, Saroeun Nop, Aaron Vernia, Eric Beiwel, Brad Boyer, Eric Willroth, Mark Hoglund, Aaron Shepler, Bobby Chapman, and Mark Richter, assistant.



Front Row (L to R): Kelly Sadler, Dawn Boldt, Ellen Kramer, Sarah Magers, Missy Johnson, Jennifer Ayres, and Tina Bankson. Second Row (L to R): Angie Potsander, Julie Meryl, Shawn Smith, Laurie Little, Kelie Johannsen, Tara Woods, and Kristi Ockelmann. Third Row (L to R): Laura Tietjen, Tina Rife, Teresa Waljasper, Janan Peterson, Becky Passig, Amy Makoben, Miss Ripslinger.

Girls' Tennis

"The girls are very energetic this year, and we are hoping for a successful season," exclaimed girls' tennis coach, Jane Ripslinger. So far this season the team is 1 and 3. This year's team consisted of a group of enthusiastic girls. The girls' first win was against the North Wildcats. "I think we played some very competitive games, and it paid off with a win," commented Janan Peterson, '86. The coach and girls were aiming for a successful season. "We have some terrific players this year, and I think the season went well," exclaimed Judy Wheadon, '86. (written by D. Zastrow)

Boys' Tennis

The boys' tennis team has been swinging away with wins this season as they have won four out of the last four games so far this season. "We have some really strong double teams this year along with our singles," commented boys' tennis Coach Gary Zalaznik. The top six players this season were Ralph Martens, '86, Brad Cunningham, '86, Dan Martens, '88, Kyle Snay, '86, Terry Shie, '88, and Chris Fennelly, '88. "This team has a lot of potential, the question is whether they will live up to it. That can only be answered as the season progresses," added Coach Zalaznik. (written by D. Zastrow)



Front Row (L to R): Terry Shie, Chris Fennelly, Shawn Posander, Brian Lovaas, and Paul Coe. Second Row (L to R): Ralph Martens, Dan Martens, Kyle Snay, Brad Cunningham, Warren Wright, and Coach Zalaznik.



Front Row (L to R): Lori Frerichs, Molly Bargfield, Laura Bragg, Leslie Hickenbottom, Cherie Fahrenkrug, Sherry Shedd, Angie Heilmann, and Missie Bryant. Second Row (L to R): Staci Treiber, Tracy White, Brenda Schaffer, Christy Kraklio, Jill Hudson, Lori Myer, Sheryl Pitts, Stephanie Sierra, and Kim Jeys. Third Row (L to R): Michelle Riordon (Coach) Cathy Guske, Amanda Keppy, Joyce Barton, Becky Wadsworth, Jill Lange, Jill Burson, Kathy Downs, Erin Harrington, and Jennifer Betker (Coach).

Girls' Track

"We have strong runners from last year and good sophomores this year," stated Cherie Fahrenkrug, '87. This was true for the West Girls' track team this year because although there were only two returning seniors, the team was very strong.

The team considered of 28 members and three coaches and they started their conditioning way back in January. All of this hard work really paid off for the team. Coach Tom Wagner and Coach Jenny Betker stated that inspite of the fewer team members, the pre-season conditioning helped the team get into a better position at the beginning of the season than they had been at the peak of last season.

The team started the competitive season with a second place finish below North Scott and ahead of North. This was a very promising start because North Scott was ranked second in the state.

Motivation played a major role on the team this year. This factor really helped the team strive for new heights during the season. Coach Michelle Riordon stated that, "It's great helping to motivate people to the point where they excel." Kathleen Downs, '87, stated, "I enjoy track because I can compete against myself. I break my own goals, and that's a good feeling." Missi Hayne, '87, put her track motivation to work on her homework too, "It's weird, my grades go up during season!"

The track team had many strong individual members, but more importantly, the team really stuck together and supported each and every member. We all hope we can get this kind of support when we run the race of life on our own. (written by C. Guske)



Boys' Track

The Boys' track team was confronted with many new challenges this year. One of these was the addition of two new teams to the Mississippi Conference. These teams were Pleasant Valley and North High Schools, making a total of ten teams in the conference. The opening of North also posed an additional challenge. This was mainly because the West track team really felt the loss of valuable athletes to the new high school.

The 35 member team was much smaller than in previous years, according to Head Coach Don Lange, but he added, "We have some really good people on the team." Coach Posey commented that, "The team has great sprinters, but not quite enough good distance and field event people."

Among the top performers of the year were Aaron Pogue, '87, John Parker, '86, Tim Reeves, '87, and Doug Bargfield, '86 in the middle to long distance. Paul Schliekeman, '86, and Brad Bramstedt, '88, excelled in the high jump along with Chico Shuttters, '86, and Troy Muilenburg, '86 in the discus. The entire sprint squad did an outstanding job this season, commented all of the coaches. These athletes guided the entire team of talented athletes to the end of yet another successful season here at West. Brad Bramstedt summed up his track experience in one short phrase, "It was great!" (written by C. Guske)

Sheryl Pitt hands baton to Sherry Shedd at the Bettendorf Invitational on April 11. (Photo by S. Treiber)



Front Row (L to R): David Walker, Mark Getty, Doug Bargfield, Paul Sass, Tim Hildebrant, Randy Speth, and Dave Navarre. Second Row (L to R): Chico Shuttters, Al Latham, Tony McCalester, Brian Jennings, Jeff Ryan, Kris Heilmann, Nick Beronich, Kevin Rommel, Troy Hawley, and Coach Dave Broadie. Third Row (L to R): John Parker, Billie Lacy, David Hoeper, Mark Berger, Mike Schneider, Jeff Cox, Garrett Karman, Brad Bramstedt, and Cory Hund. Fourth Row (L to R): Coach Lange, Coach Craig Walker, Brady Fitzgerald, Aaron Pogue, Russ Hudson, Paul Schliekelman, Bob Linz, Troy Muilenburg, Willis Hughes, Tim Reeves, Willie Lacy, and Coach Flynn.

